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I take pleasure in presenting to the Members of the Legislature, municipal officials and other interested parties, the 1988 edition of the Alberta Municipal Assistance Programs. This publication is an inventory of grants and cost-sharing programs implemented for the benefit of Alberta municipalities and other local government entities.

The material deals primarily with provincial financial assistance programs. However, certain federal programs have been included, particularly those which are co-ordinated by the province under agreement. Again this year, a separate table of contents has been provided for grants available to community associations, organizations and other interest groups.

Basic information is provided in a concise format and the departmental contact is identified for each program. This publication is for reference purposes only and is not intended as a substitute for the Provincial Statutes, Regulations or specific instructions and explanatory material issued from time to time by the various provincial government departments.

This year marks the eleventh consecutive year of publishing and the twelfth such issue since its inception in 1976. The material was compiled by the staff of the Municipal Services Branch, Alberta Municipal Affairs. Municipal Affairs acknowledges the valuable contribution all departments have made over the years and expresses its appreciation to all officials for their time and effort expended to complete this publication.

Dennis L. Anderson
Minister

FOREWORD

This 1988 revised listing of Alberta Municipal Assistance programs replaces the 1987 publication in its entirety. This revised edition reflects any changes, additions or deletions to the provincial assistance programs. These additions, deletions, transfers or consolidations are reflected in the appendices.

The table of contents in this issue has been divided into two sections. The first section is a listing of all the programs. The second section is a listing of programs available not only to municipalities but also to community associations, organizations and other interest groups.

The various provincial grants and cost sharing programs have been compiled in this publication to provide municipal officials, government employees and the general public with concise descriptions of the numerous programs currently available to Alberta Municipalities, to other government entities and to organizations undertaking co-operative projects. Also included in this survey of available programs are those jointly funded by the Federal and Provincial governments.

The information contained in this booklet is NOT a complete inventory of the provincial assistance programs as programs for individual or non-government organizations have been specifically excluded except for some multi-faceted programs as outlined under Alberta Recreation and Parks and Tourism. The primary purpose of this publication is for reference only with more detailed information to be obtained from the contact person(s) listed on each program.

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ALBERTA
AGRICULTURE

1.1 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD PROGRAM

1.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipalities in carrying out projects and programs that will preserve and improve agricultural production.

1.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all Alberta rural municipalities that have organized an agricultural service board or committee and have hired a full time agricultural fieldman.

1.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Each board prepares a tentative plan outlining proposed activities in concert with department officials and subject to annual guidelines. The four major areas are:

1. Rural Services - in projects of administration, advisory committees, training, joint extension programming between boards and local Alberta agricultural personnel, and legal assistance;

2. Animal Industry projects - in areas of livestock improvement and protection;

3. Plant Industry projects - in areas of weed control, field crops, forage crops, pest control, soil fertility, horticulture, and tree planting;

4. Conservation and Development Programs - soil salinity, soil erosion, on farm drainage and slough consolidation, demonstrations, awareness and education.

1.1.4 **FINANCING** -- Payments are made through Agriculture Service Board grant claims, based on the previously approved plan. For most programs provincial grants are provided up to a maximum of 60% of the program costs. The remaining costs being carried by the municipality or the landowner.

1.1.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.1.1, page 125.

1.1.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government, the authority provided by the Agricultural Service Board Act.

1.1.7 **REFERENCE** -- Agricultural Service Board Act
Chapter A-11 R.S.A. 1980
Department of Agriculture Act
Chapter D-12 R.S.A. 1980

1.1.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT** Head, Agricultural and
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1.2 BACTERIAL RING ROT CONTROL POLICY

1.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To control the pest bacterial ring rot in potatoes.

1.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to Alberta rural municipalities where table stock potatoes are grown commercially.

1.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Bacterial ring rot is a pest by authority of the Agricultural Pests Act which must be controlled and eradicated. Each cooperating municipality will be paid an annual grant by the Department to do the inspections. Sufficient commercial production is required for a municipality to be eligible.

1.2.4 **FINANCING** -- A grant of $50 per potato grower plus $1 per acre of potatoes under permit.

1.2.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.1.2, page 125.

1.2.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program.

1.2.7 **REFERENCE** -- Agricultural Pests Act
Chapter A-8.1 R.S.A. 1984

1.2.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT** Dr. Ieuan Evans
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1.3 SEED CLEANING PLANT PROGRAM

1.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assure clean seed grain for farmers within a municipality the Department of Agriculture will, by agreement with the rural municipality or rural districts, as provided in the Agricultural Service Boards Act, assist financially in the construction, replacement or upgrading of one or more centrally located seed cleaning plants within a district.

1.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This Program is available to all Alberta rural municipalities.

1.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Department of Agriculture may accept or reject any application by a municipality for assistance. An Agricultural Service Board should be formed within the District or Districts, and be in operation to the satisfaction of the Department of Agriculture. One or more municipalities must be financially involved along with the Department of Agriculture.

1.3.4 **FINANCING** -- Involves cost sharing between the Department of Agriculture, the municipality and farmers. The number of projects that can be funded in any one year will be subject to the availability of funds.

1.3.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.1.3, page 125.

1.3.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program.

1.3.7 **REFERENCE** -- Agricultural Service Board Act
Chapter A-11 R.S.A. 1980

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1.4 HORTICULTURAL INFORMATION TO HOME OWNERS AND GARDENERS

1.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist Parks and Recreation Departments of cities to assume greater responsibility to homeowners in providing horticultural services.

1.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to cities that have an organized department to employ technical and professional personnel to provide the service or to cities who do not have an organized method but are willing to provide it by hiring outside personnel on a contractual basis.

1.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The amount of assistance is dependent upon the actual expenditure of the program and the population of the city. The program of the city must provide horticultural information through the press, radio, and other media including telephone answering service. The department must be free to distribute the city's information number.

1.4.4 **FINANCING** -- The grant shall amount to 50% of actual expenditure in the year covered by the agreement up to a maximum as follows:

POPULATION	GRANT ALLOTMENT
up to 50,000	1/2 up to max. $ 3,000
50,000 to 100,000	1/2 up to max. $ 6,000
100,000 to 300,000	1/2 up to max. $10,000
300,000 to 600,000	1/2 up to max. $15,000
600,000 to 1,000,000	1/2 up to max. $20,000

1.4.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.1.4, page 125.

1.4.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program

1.4.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Agriculture Act
Chapter D-12 R.S.A. 1980

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ALBERTA CAREER DEVELOPMENT and EMPLOYMENT

2.1 SUMMER TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (S.T.E.P.)

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT ELEMENT

2.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide short-term employment and career development opportunities for unemployed Albertans during the summer months, May to August.

2.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Eligible employers are: municipal governments - cities, towns, villages, summer villages, improvement districts, municipal districts, and counties; Indian Bands and Metis Settlements; incorporated non-profit organizations; and publicly funded organizations - school boards and hospitals.

2.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Employers are responsible for recruiting employees, 15 years of age or older, into new, full-time positions, lasting a minimum of four weeks, upon approval of the application.

2.1.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Career Development and Employment will subsidize participating employers $3.80 per hour for an approved position plus an additional 10% of the subsidized wage rate to help defray employer costs for benefits. The employer is responsible for paying the employees full wages and must submit a monthly claim in order to be reimbursed for the subsidized wage.

2.1.5 **PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION** -- **COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT ELEMENT** See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.2.1, page 125.

2.1.6 **TIME FRAME** -- May to August

2.1.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Career Development and Employment Act
Chapter D-13.3 R.S.A. 1983

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2.2 PRIORITY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (P.E.P.)

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT ELEMENT

2.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide short-term employment and career development opportunities for unemployed Albertans.

2.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Eligible employers are: municipal governments - cities, towns, villages, summer villages, improvement districts, municipal districts and counties; Indian Bands and Metis Settlements; incorporated non-profit organizations; and publicly funded organizations - school boards and hospitals and post-secondary institutions.

2.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Employers are responsible for recruiting employees, 16 years of age or older, into new full-time positions lasting a minimum of sixteen weeks, upon approval of the application.

2.2.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Career Development and Employment will subsidize participating employers $4.50 per hour for an approved position, plus an additional 10% of the subsidized wage rate to help defray employer costs for benefits. The employer is responsible for paying the employees full wages and must submit a monthly claim in order to be reimbursed for the subsidized wage.

2.2.5

PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION	1988/89
COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT ELEMENT	Not Available

2.2.6 **TIME FRAME** -- November to April, 1989

2.2.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Career Development and Employment Act
Chapter D-13.3 R.S.A. 1983

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2.3 ALBERTA BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

2.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide employment opportunities for unemployed Albertans on project activities which demonstrate a community benefit.

2.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Eligible employers are: municipal governments - cities, towns, villages, summer villages, municipal districts and counties; Indian Bands and Metis Settlements; incorporated non-profit organizations; publicly funded organizations; and private sector employers.

2.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Employers are responsible for recruiting employees 16 years of age or older. Projects must provide three full-time positions for a minimum of six weeks to a maximum of twelve months.

2.3.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Career Development and Employment will fund project employers up to $5.00 per hour per employee for wages. An additional $125.00 per employee per week may be made available to employers for expenses other than wages. Private sector employers are not eligible for other expense funding.

2.3.5 **PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT ELEMENT** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.2.3, page 125.

2.3.6 **TIME FRAME** -- Program ends March 31, 1989.

2.3.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Career Development and Employment Act
Chapter D-13.3 R.S.A. 1983

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2.4 ALBERTA YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING PROGRAM (A.Y.E.T.P.)

YOUTH WORK EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING ELEMENT

2.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist out of school youth to obtain valuable full-time employment experiences and develop job skills which may lead to an appropriate career selection.

2.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Eligible employers are: municipal governments - cities, towns, villages, municipal districts and counties; incorporated non-profit organizations; school and hospital boards; native and Metis tribal administrations; post-secondary institutions and the private sector.

2.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Employees must be between the ages of 16 and 24 years inclusive, currently unemployed and unemployed 40 working days of the last 60 working days. Employees must be hired on a full-time basis for 26 weeks.

2.4.4 **FINANCING** -- Employers will be reimbursed for 50% of employee wages up to $3 per hour. Eligible training costs will reimbursed up to $1,000 per trainee.

2.4.5 **PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.2.4, page 125.
A.Y.E.T.P.

2.4.6 **TIME FRAME** -- Program ends March 31, 1989

2.4.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Career Development and Employment Act
Chapter D-13.3 R.S.A. 1983

2.4.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT** -- Contact the Alberta Career Development and Employment Offices listed in the back of this section.

2.5 ALBERTA YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING PROGRAM (A.Y.E.T.P.)

POST SECONDARY INTERNSHIP AND TRAINING ELEMENT

2.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide unemployed or under-employed post secondary graduates with jobs and training related to field of study or level of education.

2.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Eligible employers are: municipal governments - cities, towns, villages, municipal districts and counties; incorporated non-profit organizations; school and hospital boards; native and Metis tribal administrations; post-secondary institutions and the private sector.

2.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Employees must be graduates of a minimum two year program within the last 24 months, currently unemployed, and have been unemployed for at least 40 working days of the last 60 working days or employed in positions significantly below their qualifications. Employees must be hired on a full-time basis for 26 weeks.

2.5.4 **FINANCING** -- Employers will be reimbursed for 50% of employee wages up to $4 per hour. Eligible training costs will be reimbursed up to $1,000 per trainee.

2.5.5 **PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION A.Y.E.T.P.** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.2.5, page 125.

2.5.6 **TIME FRAME** -- Program ends March 31, 1989

2.5.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Career Development and Employment Act
Chapter D-13.3 R.S.A. 1983

2.5.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT** -- Contact the Alberta Career Development and Employment Offices listed in the back of this section.

2.6 EMPLOYMENT SKILLS PROGRAM (E.S.P.)

2.6.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To reduce dependency upon financial assistance for a selected group of social assistance recipients by providing them with counselling, training and temporary, full-time work experience.

2.6.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Eligible employers are: municipal governments provincial government departments, school boards, post-secondary institutions, health authorities, hospitals and auxiliary hospitals, nursing homes and family and community support services.

2.6.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The program assists the client in learning, relearning or refining work related skills and attitudes and provides a recent work record which will help them secure ongoing employment. Clients are eligible to be in a full-time work experience placement up to a maximum of six months.

2.6.4 **FINANCING** -- Funding for the employees wages is provided by Alberta Career Development and Employment at a rate of $5.50 per hour.

2.6.5 **PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.2.6, page 125.
EMPLOYMENT SKILLS PROGRAM

2.6.6 **TIME FRAME** -- All projects must be completed by March 31, 1989.

2.6.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Career Development and Employment Act
Chapter D-13.3 R.S.A. 1983

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Red Deer, Alberta
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Fort McMurray, Alberta
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ALBERTA COMMUNITY AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

3.1 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

3.1.1 OBJECTIVES

1. The Family and Community Support Services (F.C.S.S.) Program is a provincial/municipal partnership which creates conditions and services that will foster and promote health and mental well being. Through the F.C.S.S. process, the community is able to identify its own needs and resources and, using volunteers where possible, establish programs to enhance the quality of individual, family and community life.

2. Major features include:

   -- local autonomy in program development, priority and delivery
   -- 80% provincial and 20% municipal cost-sharing
   -- volunteer involvement
   -- early attention to problems before crises develop
   -- variety of approaches depending on unique community needs.

3.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- all Albertans, including Treaty Indians, where the local government has entered an agreement with the Province to provide the service.

3.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Each program develops differently to meet local requirements, but some general types of services have emerged such as:

Community - volunteer development, information and referral, community workers.
Family - counselling, family life education, parent-child development.
home support - homemakers, homehelp/handyman, meals-on-wheels, visiting.
senior citizen - social/recreational drop-in centres, outreach programs.
youth - youth workers, outreach programs, boys' and girls' clubs.

3.1.4 **FINANCING** -- the Province provides 80 percent advance per capita funding to municipalities in two components: Administration and Planning; F.C.S.S. Program Delivery.

3.1.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.3.1, page 125.

3.1.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

3.1.7 **REFERENCE** -- Family and Community Support Services Act
Chapter F-1.1 R.S.A. 1981

3.1.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA CULTURE and MULTICULTURALISM

4.1 PROVINCIAL AND REGISTERED HISTORIC RESOURCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

4.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- A grant to assist in the restoration, stabilization or preservation of a site or structure which has been officially designated by the Minister as a Provincial Historic Resource or Registered Historic Resource under the Historical Resources Act.

4.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Grants may be applied for by the owner of the designated property.

4.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- This grant may be used for:

a) obtaining initial professional advice, cost estimates and the preparation of plans directly associated with the preservation of a Provincial Historic Resource,

b) any work to restore, preserve or protect the original structural features,

c) the purchase, installation, repair or improvement of the electrical, mechanical, heating and plumbing systems, where, in the opinion of the Minister, such work will not detract from the historical value of the site and is essential to the preservation of the Provincial Historic Resource,

d) the salvage, restoration or repair of furnishings, decorative and functional fixtures, equipment and artifacts, integral to the preservation of the Provincial Historic Resource,

e) work to develop the grounds of a Provincial Historic Resource, where, in the opinion of the Minister, such development is necessary for the restoration or protection of the site and where this will not detract from its historical value,

f) the design, construction and installation of an interpretive or commemorative plaque, cairn, sign or marker.

4.1.4 **FINANCING** -- A grant is available in the amount of 50% of approved project costs, exclusive of grants from other provincial government department's to a maximum of $25,000 for a Registered Historic Resource and $75,000 for a Provincial Historic Resource over any five-year period.

The applicant may claim donations of materials and volunteer labour, up to an amount not exceeding one-quarter of the cash expenditures, as part of their portion of the project costs.

Where an applicant is claiming volunteer labour, the rate of pay is to be calculated at the provincial minimum wage, with the exception of skilled trademen's wages.

To be eligible to apply for and receive grants, projects must be approved in writing by the Assistant Deputy Minister, Historical Resources Division, prior to the commencement of any physical work on the historic resource.

While designated site owners are eligible to apply for grants to assist in such work, these grants are entirely discretionary and subject to adjudication by the historic sites board and the availability of funds. The Minister has the sole authority to determine whether any particular grant should be given, and in what amount.

4.1.5 **DEADLINE** -- Applications for funding under this program are to be submitted to Alberta Culture and Multiculturalism on or before April 1 in the grant year.

4.1.6 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.4.1, page 125.

4.1.7 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

4.1.8 **REFERENCE** -- Historical Resources Act
Chapter H-8 R.S.A. 1980

4.1.9 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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4.2 MUSEUM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

4.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist in defraying costs incurred in the operation, maintenance and development of a public museum, an art gallery, a botanical garden, a zoological park, a planetarium, an aquarium, or a heritage village in Alberta.

4.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Grants may be applied for by:

a) a municipality which may include a city, town, village, summer village, municipal district, county, special area, improvement district, or

b) any organization that is incorporated as:

(i) a non-profit company under the Companies Act, the Business Corporations Act or any similar Acts in a jurisdiction outside Alberta,

(ii) a society under the Societies Act or any similar Acts in a jurisdiction outside Alberta,

(iii) an agricultural society under the Agricultural Societies Act,

(iv) a congregation under the Religious Societies Lands Act, a Special Act of Alberta, or any similar Acts in a jurisdiction outside Alberta,

(v) a women's institute under the Women's Institute Act, or

(vi) an Indian band under the Indian Act (Canada);

where the municipality or organization is operating a museum that:

a) is open to the public at least 200 hours each calendar year,

b) owns more than 50% of the historical objects in its collections, and

c) has established and maintained an acceptable museum accession system.

4.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The grant is to be used to offset costs incurred in the operation, maintenance and development of the museum; for example, the purchase of artifacts, training seminars, advertising, salaries and wages, rent, office equipment, dues and fees, bank charges, utilities, building repair and maintenance, postage and stationery, materials necessary for cataloguing, costs attached to the set-up and maintenance of displays, supplies necessary for programming within the museum, and any other cost that the Minister deems appropriate for the purpose of this assistance program.

4.2.4 **FINANCING**

a) Basic (Annual) Grant - All eligible museums may apply for a basic grant of $200, plus a

b) Supplementary (Annual) Grant - Each museum is eligible for a grant under one of the following groups:

GROUP A - Museums which employ at least one suitably qualified and salaried curator and are located in a city or town of 15,000 or more population, beyond a radius of 50 km from Edmonton and Calgary.

Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $12,000.

GROUP B - Museums which employ at least one suitably qualified and salaried curator, and have recorded a fully authenticated attendance of over 50,000 in the previous year. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $12,000.

GROUP C - Museums which are designated by the Minister as having special significance in the preservation of Alberta's historical resources and which employ at least one suitably qualified and salaried curator. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $12,000.

GROUP D - Museums not qualifying under Group A, B, or C. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $5,000.

c) Additional Grants - For the operation of facilities used exclusively as circulation exhibit areas attached to a museum, such facilities having received capital funding from the National Museums Corporation under either their "National Exhibition Centre" or "Special Grant Program" categories.

National Exhibition Centre Grant - 50% of the operating cost of the Exhibition Centre in the previous fiscal year, to a maximum of 5,000.

Circulating Exhibit Grant - 50% of the operating cost of the Circulating Exhibit area in the previous fiscal year, to a maximum of $2,500.

GROUP B - Museums which employ at least one suitably qualified and salaried curator, and have recorded a fully authenticated attendance of over 50,000 in the previous year. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $12,000.

GROUP C - Museums which are designated by the Minister as having special significance in the preservation of Alberta's historical resources and which employ at least one suitably qualified and salaried curator. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $12,000.

GROUP D - Museums not qualifying under Group A, B, or C. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $5,000.

c) Additional Grants - for the operation of facilities used exclusively as circulation exhibit areas attached to a museum, such facilities having received capital funding from the National Museums Corporation under either their "National Exhibition Centre" or "Special Grant Program" categories.

National Exhibition Centre Grant - 50% of the operating cost of the Exhibition Centre in the previous fiscal year, to a maximum of 5,000.

Circulating Exhibit Grant - 50% of the operating cost of the Circulating Exhibit area in the previous fiscal year, to a maximum of $2,500.

4.2.5 **DEADLINE** -- Applications for funding under this program are to be submitted to Alberta Culture on or before July 1st in the grant year.

4.2.6 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.4.2, page 125.

4.2.7 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government with no known termination date.

4.2.8 **REFERENCE** -- Historical Resources Act
Chapter H-8 R.S.A. 1980

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4.3 LIBRARY GRANT

4.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide Library Services to all regions of Alberta.

4.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The Minister may make the following grants:

a) Annual operating grants to public libraries.

b) Establishment grants payable to:

(1) i) a library system board being established under section 20 of the Libraries Act:

ii) a municipality, improvement district, special area or school authority becoming a party to an agreement under section 21 of the Libraries Act;

iii) a party to an agreement undergoing an increase in population because of annexation of land that did not belong to a party associated with that library system;

iv) a municipality, improvement district, special area or school authority becomes a party to an agreement under section 21 of the Libraries Act because there has been a change in its status.

(2) An establishment grant may not be made to a library system board with respect to the City of Edmonton, the City of Calgary or in the case of the merger of 2 or more library systems.

c) grants to assist in resource sharing and the development of bibliographic networks in Alberta.

4.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- An application for an annual grant shall be submitted in the year in which the grant is to be paid. It must be accompanied by an audited financial statement of the operation of the library during the preceding fiscal year. In the case of a municipal or regional library, a copy of the budget for the year in which the grant is to be paid must accompany the application.

4.3.4 **FINANCING**

4.3.4.1 **LIBRARIES OPERATING GRANTS**

1(1) Subject to subsection (2), the Minister may make grants under this part to assist boards in operating libraries and providing library services.

(2) If a municipal board or library system board has received or is to receive a grant under this Part with respect to the residents within the boundaries of a community library, the community board is not eligible for a grant under this Part in the same year.

4.3.4.2 **COMMUNITY LIBRARIES**

2 The Minister may make a grant to a community board that had an expenditure in the previous year, of the greater of

(a) $801, or

(b) 1.57 times the expenditure, up to maintain of $3.18 per capita.

4.3.4.3 **MUNICIPAL LIBRARIES**

3(1) The Minister may make a grant to the municipal board of the greater of

(a) $1,167 plus a bonus grant of $527, or

(b) an amount calculated in the ratio of 3:08:2 of the local appropriation if the appropriation is at least $2 per capita, to a maximum of $3.96 per capita.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection 3(1), if a municipal library board received a bonus grant in 1987, it shall receive a bonus grant equal to the same amount in 1988.

4.3.4.4 **LIBRARY SYSTEMS**

4 The Minister may make a grant to a library system board in an amount calculated in the ratio of 2.1:1 of the appropriation if the appropriation is at least $1 per capita, to a maximum of $2.73 per capita.

4.3.4.5 **OPERATING GRANTS - GENERAL**

5 An application for a general operating grant shall be made before August 31 of the fiscal year in which the grant is to be received.

6 An application shall include

(a) the name and address of the applicant;

(b) in the case of a community board, a financial statement of the community library for the previous year audited by persons whose qualifications are satisfactory to the Minister;

(c) in the case of a municipal board or library system board, a budget for the year in which the grant is to be received and a financial statement of the municipal library or library system as the case may be, for the previous year.

7(1) Notwithstanding sections 3 and 4, if in any year the appropriation of a municipal library or library system is reduced from that of the previous year, the amount of the annual grant shall be reduced by the same amount in the following year.

7(2) Notwithstanding subsection 7(1), in the year in which a city becomes a party to a library system agreement, and if the combined appropriation for the municipal board and the library system board is at least equal to the appropriation to the municipal board in the previous year, the grant shall not be reduced.

4.3.4.6 **LIBRARY SERVICES GRANT**

1(1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), the Minister may make grants in accordance with this Part.

(2) An applicant is not eligible to receive a grant under this Part more than once each fiscal year.

(3) If a municipal board or library system board has received or is to receive a grant under this Part with respect to residents within the boundaries of a community library, the community board is not eligible for a grant under this Part in the same year.

2(1) The Minister may make a grant to a municipal board or community board that receives financial assistance from an improvement district, summer village or special area, of up to 1.5 times the financial assistance received in the previous year.

(2) The total grant paid under this Part in a year in respect to an improvement district, summer village or special area shall not exceed $4.08 per resident of the improvement district, summer village or special area, as the case may be.

3(1) The Minister may make grants to library system boards that have been authorized by councils of municipalities, improvement districts or special areas, as the case may be, to provide them library service if those municipalities, improvement districts or special areas, as the case may be:

(a) are parties to an agreement respecting the library system or, in the case of counties, have authorized the county board of education to be a party to the agreement,

(b) give an appropriation to the library system board of an amount equivalent to at least $2.75 per capita.

(2) A grant under subsection (1) may only be used to provide library services to public libraries within the library system.

(3) The total grant paid under this section in a year shall be $4.08 per resident of all the municipalities, improvement districts or special areas referred to in subsection (1) which do not have municipal boards.

4 An application shall be made before August 31 of the fiscal year in which the grant is to be received.

5 An application under this Part shall be made at the same time and in the same manner as an application under Part 2 and shall be accompanied by proof satisfactory to the Minister from each municipality, improvement district,

summer village or special area, as the case may be, that it has authorized the library system board to apply for the grant.

4.3.4.7 **LIBRARY SYSTEM ESTABLISHMENT GRANTS**

1(1) Subject to subsection (2), the Minister may make an establishment grant to a library system board to assist in the establishment or expansion of a library system with respect to

(a) a library system board being established under section 20 of the Libraries Act;

(b) a municipality, improvement district, special area or school authority becoming a party to an agreement under section 21 of the Libraries Act;

(c) a party to an agreement undergoing an increase of population because of annexation of land that did not belong to a party associated with that library system;

(d) a municipality, improvement district, special area or school authority becoming a party to an agreement under section 21 of the Libraries Act because there has been a change in its status.

(2) An establishment grant may not be made to a library system board with respect to the City of Edmonton, the City of Calgary or in the case of the merger of 2 or more library systems.

2 The Minister may make an establishment grant of $10.27 per capita except in the case of a grant under section 1(1)(d) where the grant shall be $10.27 per capita less the establishment grants previously made in respect of the population residing within the boundaries of the party to an agreement.

3 In addition to the requirements of section 3 of Division 1 of the Cultural Grant Regulation an application shall include

(a) evidence satisfactory to the Minister of the population of the new party to an agreement or annexed land, as the case may be, and

(b) a copy of the agreement signed by the party to an agreement.

4 An application shall be submitted within 60 days of when a library system is established, expanded or the

status of a party to an agreement has changed, as the case may be.

4.3.4.8 **LIBRARY NETWORK GRANTS**

1(1) Subject to subsections (1) and (2), the Minister may make grants to libraries and boards under this Part to assist in resource sharing and the development of bibliographic networks in Alberta.

(2) The maximum grant payable to an applicant under this Part is $100,000 in a fiscal year.

2 In addition to the requirements of section 3 of Division 1, an application shall include a copy of the agreement entered into by the applicant to engage in resource sharing activities, a report of the applicant's resource sharing activities in the previous year, and a statement of the salaries and benefits of the staff involved in the resource sharing activity during the year in which the grant is to be received.

4.3.4.9 **GENERAL**

1 For the purposes of grant calculations the number of residents shall be determined by using

(a) the most recent estimates of population published by the Department of Municipal Affairs for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is made

(b) if estimates for the municipality have not been published, the most recent population census under the Statistics Act (Canada).

4.3.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.4.3, page 126.

4.3.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in 1912. There is no known termination date.

4.3.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Culture and Multiculturalism Act
Chapter D-15 R.S.A. 1980

4.3.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE

5.1 RAILWAY FACILITY RELOCATION POLICY

5.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The Province recognizes the potential developmental benefits, to Alberta's smaller cities, of access to centrally located railway land no longer required for railway operating purposes. In keeping with this recognition, the Province wishes to assist these cities in carrying out railway facility relocation projects.

5.1.2 **BACKGROUND** -- In 1975, the Province of Alberta, jointly with the federal government, sponsored railway relocation studies undertaken by Alberta cities under the Canada Rail Relocation and Crossing Act. In October, 1977, the federal government withdrew from further funding of studies and announced it had cancelled any consideration of assisting actual rail relocation projects.

The Province's involvement in railway relocation studies was shortly thereafter expanded, including an ongoing commitment to assist the implementation of viable railway relocation projects.

5.1.3 **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA** -- The Railway Facility Relocation Policy will apply to Alberta's smaller cities who are able to demonstrate that:

1. Substantial quantifiable benefits to the urban development objectives of the city can be achieved through release of land presently occupied by railway facilities, and

2. The potential value of lands released through railway facility relocation project will make a substantial contribution to the cost of the relocation project, and

3. Existing railway facilities create a significant barrier to the provision of efficient transportation services within the city, and

4. In the view of the affected railway, the relocation of facilities is feasible in light of system-wide operational requirements, and

5. Existing railway rights of way provisions through the city are maintained under the proposed railway facility relocation project.

The Railway Facility Relocation Policy is not designed to apply to the two largest cities of Alberta, who generally have the in-house planning and financing capability of dealing with such

projects, nor to Alberta towns who would not normally be able to meet the eligibility criteria of this policy.

Notwithstanding the above, the Province may, upon specific project application, determine this policy, or portions thereof, to apply to a larger city or town if such a project meets the eligibility criteria and could not proceed without the Provincial involvement provided by this policy.

5.1.4 **THE DELIVERY PROGRAM**

Part I - Studies - The Province will contribute 50% of the cost to a city, of carrying out an approved railway facility relocation feasibility study. Involvement of the affected railway, the relevant and/or local planning authority must be solicited and obtained.

Part II - Negotiations - Where the railway relocation feasibility study determines the proposed project to be viable, meeting all eligibility criteria of this program, the Province will assist the city in negotiating the concurrence of the affected railway.

Part III - Relocation Projects - Where the joint province/city negotiations with the affected railway have resulted in a mutually acceptable plan for railway facility relocation and for the sharing of costs thereof, the Province will assist the city in financing the implementation of the project. The Provincial financial contribution will be 50% of the city's costs in implementing a railway facility relocation project. The 50% Provincial cost sharing, while considered level of city and Provincial commitment to a project, may vary from project to project on the basis of the specific needs of a city and the estimated timing of returns from sales of lands released by a relocation project.

Subject to the preparation of adequate roadway and public transportation plans, and the preparation and guarantee of a suitable land-use plan for lands released by the project, the Province will jointly with the city, take an investment position in the project. The eligible urban municipality shall establish a mechanism to implement the project and to dispose, by sale or lease, of released lands.

First right of refusal on the purchase or lease of such lands shall be offered to the city and the Province, but in all cases, sales or leases shall be at the then prevailing market rates.

Revenues from the sale or lease of lands released by a railway facility relocation project will, after meeting the administrative costs of such transactions, be distributed between the city and the Province in the same ratio as each contributed to the cost of the project.

5.1.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Economic Development and Trade Act
Chapter D-16.1 R.S.A. 1986

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5.2 ALBERTA COMMUNITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT TRAINING PROGRAM

5.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist communities to acquire a better understanding of the economic development relationship in their region in order to enhance community efforts in stimulating growth.

5.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The program is available to associations, communities, municipalities, or interested groups at no cost.

5.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Assistance is provided to cover such topics as:

- Developing a community information package.
- Forming an economic development committee.
- Promoting local business development.
- Prospecting for industrial development.
- Marketing a community's industrial land, commercial and business opportunities.
- Developing a community economic development plan.
- Downtown revitalization.

Training sessions can be arranged by contacting the local Business Counsellor who works with the communities in delivering this service.

5.2.4 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing service of Alberta Economic Development and Trade.

5.2.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Economic Development and Trade Act
Chapter D-16.1 R.S.A. 1986

5.2.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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and/or regional offices.

5.3 MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR SMALL BUSINESS

5.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide business participants in communities with individualized business counselling through the use of professional management consultants.

5.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The program is available to all businesses within a community for a small registration fee. Participation is limited to approximately 20 businesses.

5.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The consultants are not government employees. They are private management consultants hired by the Department to provide one-on-one business counselling.

The chamber of commerce or a trade association acting as a sponsor, forms a co-ordinating committee with representatives of the Department to plan the program.

The program is structured into 4 phases:

Phase 1 Individual Research Program - The consultant visits the business owner and gathers information needed to formulate recommendations.

Phase 2 Custom Counselling - One or two weeks later, the consultant presents recommendations and assists the owner in implementing them.

Phase 3 Counselling Follow-up - For firms encountering difficulties.

Phase 4 Program Review - After 3 months the consultant will visit the owner to deal with any remaining implementation problems, and assess the results of the program.

5.3.4 **TIME FRAME** -- The Management Assistance Program is an ongoing program of Alberta Economic Development and Trade.

5.3.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Economic Development and Trade Act
Chapter D-16.1 R.S.A. 1986

5.3.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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5.4 ALBERTA SMALL BUSINESS INCUBATOR SUPPORT PROGRAM

5.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To accelerate efforts to establish incubators through local/provincial cooperative efforts. To provide professional and technical assistance to communities interested in establishing incubators and to contribute to local economic development.

5.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The local incubator developer may be a sole proprietorship, general partnership, limited partnership, co-operative association, corporation, professional corporation or any authorized representative of a local government or a local development organization.

5.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Incubator Support Program will assist with the costs of developing and operating an incubator. Grants are provided to match funding from local sources. Costs not covered by the Program (e.g. capital) are the responsibility of the local incubator developer.

A feasibility study and a business plan are necessary in order to be considered for funding of operations under the Program. Both feasibility and business plan development activities are eligible for funding of 50 percent of eligible costs up to $25,000.

The Program will contribute the following amounts for the first three years of operations of the incubator:

a) communities with populations of 25,000 or less - $75,000 or 50 percent of operating deficits, whichever is less;

b) for communities of 25,001 to 100,000 - $150,000 or 50 percent of operating deficits, whichever is less;

c) for communities greater than 100,000 - $300,000 or 50 percent of operating deficits, whichever is less.

5.4.4 **TIME FRAME** -- The Program is intended to run from July 21, 1987 to March 31, 1992 or until the funds have been disbursed, whichever comes first.

5.4.5 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Economic Development and Trade Act
Chapter D-16.1 R.S.A. 1986

5.4.5 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA
EDUCATION

6.1 EXPLANATION OF SCHOOL GRANTS

6.1.1 Numerous school grants that apply to all "school areas" are available from Alberta Education. These "school areas" include school districts, school divisions, counties, or a city or town having merged administration under the Municipal and School Administration Act. These grants are made possible through regulations under the School Act and the Department of Education Act.

There are, however, NO Alberta Education grants for which municipalities can directly make application. The only Alberta Education grants available must be applied for by the Board responsible for school administration.

6.1.2 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Education Act
Chapter D-17 R.S.A. 1980
School Act
Chapter S-3 R.S.A. 1980

6.1.3 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA
ENVIRONMENT

7.1 BITING FLY CONTROL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

7.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipal governments in the initiation and/or improvement of Biting Fly Control Programs.

7.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all municipal districts, who as a collective group, feel that their municipality has a serious biting fly infestation.

7.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- To be eligible for such grants, municipalities must submit an application for assistance to the Department of Environment prior to the commencement of their control programs, outlining proposed cost and methods of control These proposals must be acceptable to the Department. Should conditions warrant that a control program receive any additional funds, such funds may be granted pending approval by the Minister of the Environment. Approved control programs will be subject to inspection. An annual report, including complete financial records, must be submitted by each municipality to the Department at the end of the control program in order to receive financial assistance. A licensed Class L pesticide applicator must supervise each abatement program.

7.1.4 **FINANCING** -- Approved mosquito abatement programs will be funded in the following manner.

a) Municipalities whose population is less than 10,000 will be limited to $3 per capita for eligible expenses.

b) Municipalities whose population is greater than 10,000 and less than 100,000 will be limited to $2 per capita for eligible expenses.

c) Municipalities whose population is greater than 100,000 will be limited to $1 per capita for eligible expenses.

Expenses which are considered eligible include:

a) 60% of all operating and equipment costs.

b) 40% of the chemical purchase costs.

7.1.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.7.1, page 126.

7.1.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1974 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. There is no known termination date.

7.1.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act
Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980

7.1.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Biting Fly Technologist
Waste and Chemicals Division
Alberta Environment
5th Floor, Oxbridge Place
9820 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2J6
Phone: 427-5855

Biting Fly Biologist
Waste and Chemicals Division
Alberta Environment
2nd Floor, Deerfoot Square
2938 - 11 Street, N.E.
Calgary, Alberta
T2E 7L7
Phone: 297-8271

7.2 ALBERTA WATER MANAGEMENT AND EROSION CONTROL PROGRAM

7.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide cost sharing to local authorities for the enhancement and regional development of the province's water resources and to provide corrective measures where water, in its natural state, creates conditions adverse to the public interest.

7.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all Alberta local authorities.

7.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Projects such as flood control, drainage, erosion control, water conservation and lake level control must be initiated by a local authority, and a need for such a project must be established. The project must be in the public interest and provide benefits to the general public or protect public investment. Detailed project planning and consideration of all aspects of water resources and environmental management must precede implementation. Normally, the local authority initiating the project accepts the responsibility for land acquisition, and operation and maintenance costs. In special cases the landowners may assume this responsibility or Alberta Environment may cost-share the operation and maintenance.

Agreements are entered into between the Minister of Environment (under the Water Resources Act) and the local authorities. Projects are funded on the basis of the budgetary priority for water management established by the government.

7.2.4 **FINANCING** -- Cost sharing on a 75-25% basis (Government funding up to 75%). The program also provides for 86-14% cost sharing on agricultural flood control, drainage, or erosion control projects.

7.2.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.7.2, page 126.

7.2.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

7.2.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act
Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980

7.2.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Branch Head
Regional Services Branch
Water Resources Administration Division
Alberta Environment
3rd Floor, Oxbridge Place
9820 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2J6
Phone: 427-6168

7.3 RESOURCE RECOVERY GRANT PROGRAM

7.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To encourage communities to become involved in the collection of recyclable material, and encourage the reduction of wastes that must be disposed of.

7.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- All municipalities in Alberta are eligible.

7.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- This is a Capital Grants Program. The Department will fund non-motorized equipment necessary for the separation and storage of recyclable marketable materials.

7.3.4 **FINANCING** -- This program is funded 100% by the Provincial Government.

7.3.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.7.3, page 126.

7.3.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program initially implemented in 1976. Applications are accepted through the year. In general, funding will be forthcoming in the next fiscal year.

7.3.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act
Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980

7.3.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Head, Resource Recovery & Recycling
Waste Management Branch
Alberta Environment
4th flr., 9820 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2J6
Phone: 427-5868

7.4 RECLAMATION PROGRAM FOR DERELICT LAND

7.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To reclaim land that has been left idle since disturbance with the objective of making it as productive as it was prior to disturbance.

7.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The land in question must be owned by a public body or must be purchased by a public body.

7.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Abandoned sites considered to be eligible include:

1. Coal mines or quarries.
2. Gravel pits.
3. Garbage dumps and sewage lagoons.
4. Refinery sites or other mineral processing plants.
5. Industrial sites.
6. Irrigation canals or man-made water reservoirs.
7. Roadways, airports, railroads.

It should be clear, of course, that the intent of the reclamation fund is to improve sites that were disturbed prior to legislation and the rise of public concern over environmental problems. Recently abandoned sites will be carefully reviewed by Department staff prior to acceptance as reclamation projects.

NOTE: All the above mentioned eligible sites must be municipally owned land.

Some commonly submitted proposals which are NOT included in the program are:

1. Natural or water filled low lying areas.
2. Agricultural operations.
3. Forestry operations.
4. Removal of car body stockpiles.
5. Picking up of scattered debris.
6. Erosion control resulting from agricultural and forestry operations, and municipal or provincial projects including road building and bridge construction.

7.4.4 **FINANCING** -- Reclamation Branch of Alberta Environment assumes all responsibilities for engineering, supervision, planning, hiring and paying contractors to complete reclamation projects.

7.4.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.7.4, page 126.

7.4.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is a program of the Provincial Government that has approval till 1988/89. Applications by municipalities can be made at any time during the year.

7.4.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act
Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980
Land Surface Conservation and
Reclamation Act
Chapter L-3 R.S.A. 1980

7.4.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Branch Head
Reclamation Branch
Land Reclamation Division
3rd Floor, Oxbridge Place
9820 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2J6
Phone: 427-4147

7.5 ALBERTA WASTE MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

7.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To promote environmentally sound waste management throughout the province.

7.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to all rural and urban municipalities who form a regional authority consisting of two or more urban municipalities plus one or more rural municipalities.

7.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Province will provide land and capital funding for regional sanitary landfill sites or other facilities for waste management.

7.5.4 **FINANCING** -- The Province will pay 100% of the fair market value for land and lease this land to the municipality for use as a sanitary landfill. Also, the Province will pay up to 100% of the initial capital costs of the systems. Annual operating costs are the responsibility of the regional authority.

7.5.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.7.5, page 126.

7.5.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in December 1975.

7.5.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Environment Act
Chapter D-19 R.S.A. 1980

7.5.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Head, Industrial & Regional Systems
Waste Management Branch
Alberta Environment
9820 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2J6
Phone: 427-5868

ALBERTA MORTGAGE AND HOUSING CORPORATION

8.1 COMMUNITY HOUSING PROGRAM

8.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide subsidized rental housing for low and moderate income families unable to secure affordable private-sector accommodation.

8.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The sponsor of a Community Housing Project is normally the local municipality. The need for community housing in smaller municipalities is determined by the feasibility study undertaken by the Corporation.

8.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Management and tenant selection are delegated to a local Housing Authority whose members are recommended by the local council, a Provincial and sometimes Federal nominating committee, and appointed by Provincial Ministerial Order. Tenants are selected on the basis of need, as determined by income, assets, housing condition and length of time on the waiting list. The municipality applies directly to the Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation. The Corporation reviews and researches submissions which the Corporation Board approves within the framework of the annual budget.

As an alternate delivery method to Community Housing, Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation may provide affordable accommodation in private-sector buildings, housing co-operatives or Corporation-owned properties through a rent supplement. Rent supplements may be used in designated communities where there are high vacancy rates in the private sector and a need for affordable accommodation by low-income families. The rent supplement is based on the difference between the market rent and the subsidized rent. The supplement is shared up to 70% by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. The balance is paid by Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

8.1.4 **FINANCING** -- The Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation is the major developer of Community Housing, supplying 100% of upfront capital costs for projects, through debentures written with the Alberta Investment Division of the Alberta Heritage Savings and Trust Fund. Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation provides cost-sharing of up to 70% of net operating costs, including amortization on the portion of the capital cost within their approved Maximum Unit Price, over 35 years. The balance of the costs are shared between AMHC and the municipality.

8.1.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.8.1, page 126.

8.1.6 **TIME FRAME** -- Community housing is an ongoing joint program of the Federal, Provincial and Municipal Governments. Rent supplement units are cost-shared by the Federal and Provincial Governments.

8.1.7 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act
Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984

8.1.8 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- Contact the local housing authority or an AMHC office at any of the addresses listed in the back of this section. Applications for new projects should be directed to AMHC.

8.2 ALBERTA INDUSTRIAL LAND PROGRAM

There is no industrial land assembly or development occurring within the Corporation at this time. The current emphasis of the program is on the sale of land. 1988/89 funds are for the completion of existing projects owned by Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

8.2.1 **OBJECTIVES**

1. To help municipalities provide an adequate supply of reasonably priced serviced land for industrial purposes.
2. To assist regional communities in attracting suitable industries.
3. To support balanced industrial growth across Alberta.

8.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Alberta municipalities demonstrating a need and demand for industrial land.

8.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- This program is designed in two stages: Land Assembly and Land Development. It is intended to provide assistance to communities wishing to develop land or hold land for future industrial development. It complements the government's position that the decentralization of industry is essential to achieving a balanced economic growth within the Province.

8.2.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation finances 100% of the capital costs through funds provided from the general revenue fund of the Province of Alberta.

1. Land Assembly: Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation secures and holds titles to suitable lands, in accordance with the following guidelines:

   a) An agreement is made between the Corporation and the municipality whereby Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation will hold title to the land for the municipality.

   b) At any time during the term of the agreement, the municipality may request and obtain from Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation whatever portion of the land may be necessary for development.

   c) Holding costs (i.e. survey, legal, etc.) are added to the original land costs to determine the price to the municipality.

   d) Holding costs are prorated over the whole project. When any portion of the project is purchased, only the holding costs relating to that portion are paid at that time.

   e) Buy-back periods vary from one to fifteen years.

   f) Unless an extension is agreed upon, on expiry of the agreement (15 years), the municipality purchases any remaining land.

2. Land Development: Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation purchases and develops land under a development agreement with the municipality, in accordance with the following guidelines:

   a) Developed lots are sold to the municipality on a fully prepaid basis (i.e. all development costs are allocated in the purchase price of each lot).

   b) Prices of the lots also reflect a prorated portion of the holding costs.

   c) The land is developed to the prevailing servicing standard of the municipality, with certain minimum standards.

   d) The municipality is responsible for sales transactions.

   e) Unless an extension is agreed upon, on expiry of the Development agreement, the municipality purchases the remaining land.

8.2.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.8.2, page 126.

8.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984

8.2.7 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- Municipalities approach AMHC or the Department of Economic Development and Trade for an explanation of the Program. Application procedures are outlined at a meeting with Economic Development and Trade, AMHC and the municipality.

8.3 ALBERTA RESIDENTIAL LAND PROGRAM

There is no residential land assembly or development occurring within the Corporation at this time. The current emphasis of the program is on the sale of land. 1988/89 funds are for the completion of existing projects owned by Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

8.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipalities in the provision of an adequate supply of residential housing lots at reasonable costs.

8.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Alberta municipalities demonstrating a need and demand for residential land.

8.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- This program is designed in two stages: Land Assembly and Land Development. It is intended to provide assistance to communities wishing to develop land for needed purposes or to hold land for future residential development.

8.3.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation finances 100% of the capital costs through funds provided from the general revenue fund of the Province of Alberta.

1. Land Assembly: Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation secures and holds titles to suitable lands, in accordance with the following guidelines:

   a) An agreement is made between the Corporation and the municipality whereby Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation will hold title to the land for the municipality.

b) At any time during the term of the agreement, the municipality may request and obtain from Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation whatever portion of the land may be necessary for development.

c) Holding costs (i.e. survey, legal, etc.) are added to the original land costs to determine the price to the municipality.

d) Holding costs are prorated over the whole project. When any portion of the project is purchased, only the holding costs relating to that portion are paid at that time.

e) Buy-back periods may range up to fifteen years.

f) Unless an extension is agreed upon, on expiry of the agreement, the municipality purchases any remaining land.

2. Land Development: Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation purchases and develops land under a development agreement with the municipality, in accordance with the following guidelines:

a) Developed lots are sold to the public or to contractors on a fully prepaid basis (i.e. all development costs are allocated in the purchase price of each lot).

b) Prices of the lots also reflect a prorated portion of the holding costs.

c) The land is developed only to the prevailing servicing standards of the municipality, within certain minimum standards.

d) In all cases, the Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation will be responsible for sales transactions. The municipality may be empowered to handle the initial stage of lot sales.

e) Unless an extension is agreed upon, on expiry of the agreement, the municipality purchases the unsold lots.

8.3.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.8.3, page 126.

8.3.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

8.3.7 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984

8.3.8 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- Municipalities contact an AMHC office at any of the addresses listed at the back of this section.

8.4 SENIOR CITIZENS LODGE PROGRAM

8.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- This program provides room and board accommodation for Alberta seniors who no longer wish to maintain an independent household. Lodges are located in cities and in rural areas so seniors may remain in or near their own community.

8.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The sponsor for a lodge is the Municipal Foundation composed of participating municipalities in the area.

8.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** --This program is intended for senior citizens who are in good health and able to care for themselves. For this reason medical facilities are not provided in the building although home-care services may be available through local health units. The location of lodges is planned with good access to medical, transportation, shopping and recreational services. Rent, which is fixed at an affordable rate by the Provincial Government, covers meals and housekeeping services. Temporary accommodation is also available in lodges through the Vacation Relief or Respite Care Program.
After construction, the administrative and financial responsibility of each lodge is invested in the local Foundation. The management group selected by the Foundation hires the staff for the lodge, handles applications, selects tenants and manages daily operations.

8.4.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation finances 100% of the capital costs including all furnishings and equipment through funds provided by the Alberta Investment Division of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund.

Once the project is constructed, the Foundation becomes responsible for all operating costs, excluding amortization of the capital cost. Foundations may receive grants to help offset operating deficits through the Lodge Assistance Program.

Most lodges are fully funded by the province. However, under section 56.1 of the National Housing Act, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation may contribute to the interest and amortization costs of lodges constructed after 1985.

8.4.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.8.4, page 126.

8.4.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government, with some assistance provided by the Federal government.

8.4.7 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act
Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984
Senior Citizens Housing Act
Chapter S-13 R.S.A. 1980

8.4.8 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- For information on accommodation contact the Municipal Foundation or an AMHC office at any of the addresses listed in the back of this section. Applications for new lodges should be directed to AMHC.

8.5 LODGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

8.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The Lodge Assistance Program provides financial assistance to lodge foundations to reduce lodge operating deficits thereby reducing the contributions required by the member municipalities of respective Foundations.

8.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Any foundations or municipalities who operate senior citizens lodge's pursuant to Section 9 of the Senior Citizens Housing Act are eligible for assistance for a portion of any operating deficits.

8.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Any foundation or municipality applying for the Lodge Assistance Grant is required to submit an audited financial statement of the lodge's operating costs to Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation. In addition, the foundation/municipality must complete an application showing the latest equalized assessments of all the contributing municipalities.

8.5.4 **FINANCING** -- Assistance is provided in the form of a grant from Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation to cover a portion of any operating deficits. The amount of assistance is determined on the basis of the documented financial statements of the lodge and the total equalized assessment of the foundation for the year in which the deficits occurred.

Funding ranges from 25% to 50% of the lodge foundation's operating deficits, but AMHC will not finance the portion of the deficits which is in excess of 35% of the foundation's total expenditures.

8.5.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.8.5, page 127.

8.5.6 **LODGE EXTENDED WARRANTY AND RENOVATION ASSISTANCE**

Upon application AMHC will provide financial assistance to Senior Citizens Lodge Foundations to correct design or construction deficiencies beyond the time of the builder's warranty, or to upgrade safety systems in lodges as required.

8.5.7 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.8.5, page 127.

8.5.8 **TIME FRAME** -- Both are ongoing programs of the Provincial Government.

8.5.9 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act
Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984
Senior Citizens Housing Act
Chapter S-13 R.S.A. 1980

8.5.10 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- The foundation should submit an application with its audited financial statements to the Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation office nearest them.

8.6 SENIOR CITIZENS SELF-CONTAINED PROGRAM

8.6.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide senior citizens with affordable apartments in or near the communities in which they live.

8.6.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The sponsor of a self-contained project may be a non-profit organization which includes a municipality, a foundation or an organization constituted exclusively for charitable or benevolent purposes.

8.6.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A non-profit society must be registered under The Societies Act of Alberta, and may include church groups, service clubs and other organizations. The sponsor is responsible for collecting information on the need for self-contained units in their area and contacting the Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation. It is also responsible for the management and maintenance once the project is constructed. Individuals apply directly to the project for admittance.

Tenants must meet eligibility guidelines for acceptance. One year residency in Alberta immediately prior to application or ten years previous residency in Alberta is required. Allocation of units to tenants is prioritized according to income, assets, housing condition and length of time on waiting list. Rent is based on 25% of a tenant's income.

8.6.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation finances 100% of capital costs through funds provided by the Alberta Investment Division of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund. Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation provides cost-sharing of up to 70% of net operating costs, including amortization on the portion of the capital cost within their approved Maximum Unit Price, over 35 years. The balance is paid by AMHC.

8.6.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.8.6, page 127.

8.6.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial and Federal governments.

8.6.7 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act
Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984
Senior Citizens Housing Act
Chapter S-13 R.S.A. 1980

8.6.8 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- Regarding accommodation, contact the project or an AMHC office at any of the addresses listed in the back of this section. Applications for new projects should be directed to AMHC.

8.7 REVOLVING TRUNK SERVICING PROGRAM

No funds are available in the 1988/89 budget year.

8.7.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To ensure a long term supply of serviced lots is available and to reduce the financial burden on municipalities by providing funds for the construction of major trunk lines to be used primarily for residential subdivisions in Alberta.

8.7.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- All Alberta municipalities or any Alberta municipality jointly with qualified land developing companies registered in Alberta.

8.7.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Priority will be given to those municipalities experiencing a shortage of adequately serviced developable lands. Eligible items for projects are offsite or oversized water and sewer facilities in the following categories:

a) water trunks, pressure booster stations and distribution reservoirs.

b) storm sewer trunks and major storm management facilities (retention and detention ponds, storm lift stations).

c) sanitary sewer trunks and lift stations.

8.7.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation finances the capital costs through funds provided by the Alberta Investment Division of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund. Subject to the execution of a Master Agreement between Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the municipality and, if applicable, the developer, Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation will construct and initially own the facilities. The Master Agreement establishes, among other things:

- The maximum capital cost to be funded by AMHC.
- The developable hectares within the benefiting area.
- The term for repayment of the capital cost and the financing charges.
- The municipality's obligation to purchase a minimum 50% interest in the facility within a 10 year period. This obligation is offset by guarantees of the major land owners within the benefiting area.
- The applicant's (municipality or developer) responsibility to negotiate rights-of-way for constructing the approved facilities on behalf of AMHC.

- The municipality's responsibility to purchase a proportional undivided interest in the facility prior to issuing a Development and Servicing Agreement for land within the benefiting area.

8.7.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.8.7, page 127.

8.7.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

8.7.7 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Act
Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1980

8.7.8 **FURTHER INFORMATION** Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation
9405 - 50 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T6B 2T4
Phone: 468-3535

8.8 SPECIAL PURPOSE HOUSING PROGRAM

8.8.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist non-profit organizations to develop and operate residential facilities for people with physical, social, mental or behavioral conditions.

8.8.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Registered non-profit organizations incorporated under the Societies Act, Companies Act or Religious Societies' Land Act are eligible. The organization must have the ability to develop and operate a residential project and be ineligible for capital funding under other social housing programs. The sponsor group must be able to secure operating funding for per diem and support service costs, if required, from a private or other government source.

8.8.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- This program provides subsidized mortgage financing for long-term residential projects for physically or mentally disabled people, victims of family violence, the homeless, young offenders, drug or alcohol abusers and people with other special housing needs. The financing can be used to construct, purchase and/or renovate a facility. Financing is not available for projects which are already operating or are receiving other ongoing assistance.

8.8.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation provides a 35-year mortgage loan of up to 100% of the project's capital costs. The loan is provided through debentures from the Heritage Savings Trust Fund. A subsidy to reduce the mortgage interest rate to 2% per year is shared 70% by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and 30% by Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

8.8.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.8.8, page 127.

8.8.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Federal and Provincial governments.

8.8.7 **REFERENCE** -- Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act Chapter A-32.5 R.S.A. 1984

8.8.8 **FURTHER INFORMATION** -- Non-profit organizations contact AMHC at the following address:

Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation
9405 - 50 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T6B 2T4
Phone: 468-3535

8.9 ALBERTA MORTGAGE AND HOUSING CORPORATION OFFICES

8.9.1 HEAD OFFICE:

9405 - 50 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T6B 2T4
Phone: 468-3535

8.9.2 BRANCH OFFICES

8657 - 51 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T6E 6A8
Phone: 468-7000

2924 - 11 Street N.E.
Calgary, Alberta
T2E 8C4
Phone: 250-4600
RITE: 161-7362

194 Grenfell Cresc.
Fort McMurray, Alta.
T9H 2M6
Phone: 743-2673
RITE: 136-7100

220 - 4 Street S.
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 4J7
Phone: 329-8722
RITE: 181-5598

9909 - 102 Street
Grande Prairie, Alta.
T8V 2V4
Phone: 539-4801
RITE: 121-5386

5913 Gaetz Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta
T4N 4C4
Phone: 343-7788
RITE: 151-5129

5238 - 50 Avenue
Box 3189
St. Paul, Alberta
T0A 3A0
Phone: 645-5600
RITE: 139-1222

** 4801 - 52 Avenue **
High Prairie, Alta.
T0G 1E0
Phone: 523-6685
RITE: 122-6685

9710 - 94 Street
Peace River, Alberta
T0H 2X0
Phone: 624-1383
RITE: 120-6511

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ALBERTA
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

9.1 MUNICIPAL ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION PROGRAM

9.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide $1,000 or 10¢ per capita, whichever is greatest, to assist each municipality in recognizing the 50th anniversary of its incorporation and at 25 year intervals thereafter.

9.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program applies to all municipalities and each will receive the special assistance automatically in the relevant years. No application will be required.

9.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- To provide $1,000 or 10¢ per capita, whichever is greatest, to assist each municipality in recognizing the 50th anniversary of its incorporation and at 25 year intervals thereafter.

The assistance is unconditional and so may be used to sponsor activities or for any other project the council believes appropriate. In case where a municipality has more than one date which might be celebrated, for example, original incorporation as a village then later as a town, the council may select which date is to be celebrated for the municipality. Incorporation dates are available from the information contact. Notice of which date selected should be provided to the Department of Municipal Affairs.

9.1.4 **FINANCING** -- The Provincial Government will provide the $1,000 or 10¢ per capita, whichever is greatest, automatically, no application is required.

9.1.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- As required.

9.1.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented May 17, 1982 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. It has no known termination date.

9.1.7 **REFERENCE** -- Property Tax Reduction Act
Chapter P-19 R.S.A. 1980

9.1.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT** Director
Grants and Subsidies Branch
Alberta Municipal Affairs
100 Jarvis Building
9925 - 107 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2H9
Phone: 427-4877

9.2 INTEREST STABILIZATION GRANT

9.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To stabilize interest charges on capital debentures issued by the Alberta Municipal Finance Corporation and Alberta Treasury.

9.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY**

1. Debentures issued under authority of by-laws for which the local Authorities Board Certificate of Approval is dated March 28, 1983 or later will not be eligible for subsidy.

2. Debentures issued after March 31, 1982 will be subsidized for the first five years from date of debenture issue with the regular Alberta Municipal Finance Corporation rate being paid after five years.

3. All debentures must be issued prior to March 31, 1985 to receive subsidy.

9.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Alberta municipalities need not apply for this grant. This program is administered directly by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

9.2.4 **FINANCING** -- The grant is paid each year in the month that the payment on the debenture becomes due. Payment is made in a calendar year not the government fiscal year.

9.2.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.9.2, page 127.

9.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act
Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

9.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT** Director
Grants and Subsidies Branch
Alberta Municipal Affairs
100 Jarvis Building
9925 - 107 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2H9
Phone: 427-4877

9.3 ALBERTA PARTNERSHIP TRANSFER PROGRAM (A.P.T.)

9.3.1 **OBJECTIVES**: -- A new transfer program implemented in 1988 which **consolidates individual payments** previously made for **Municipal Assistance**, **Municipal Police Assistance Grant** and **Public Transit Operating Assistance**, into a single unconditional grant to all municipalities in Alberta. It allows municipalities a greater flexibility in dealing with local projects and programs.

9.3.2 **FINANCING** -- The total grant is paid in one lump sum during the month of May of each year.

9.3.3 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation
Sections 17.9.4, page 127 (municipal assistance).
17.14.1, page 128 (municipal police assistance grant).
17.16.1.3, page 129 (public transit operating assistance).

9.3.4 **TIME FRAME** -- This will be an ongoing provincial transfer program with no known termination date.

9.3.5 **REFERENCE** -- See program description as listed under appropriate section. Eg. Municipal Police Assistance Grant, See Alberta Solicitor General.

9.3.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT** Director
Grants and Subsidies Branch
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T5K 2H9
Phone: 427-4877

9.4 MUNICIPAL ASSISTANCE GRANT

9.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- Assisting Local Municipal Governments to continue to provide services to their citizens without undue increases in the local mill rate.

9.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This is an unconditional grant available to all municipal government units in the Province.

9.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- No application is necessary for this grant. Each year, the Province sets aside a sum of money to be known as the Municipal Assistance Grant to be distributed to Alberta municipalities on a relative needs basis.

9.4.4 **FINANCING** -- The grant is paid in one lump sum during the month of May of each year.

9.4.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.9.4, page 127.

9.4.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

9.4.7 **REFERENCE** -- Property Tax Reduction Act
Chapter P-19 R.S.A. 1980

9.4.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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9.5 PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION BENEFITS

9.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To reduce the burden of property taxes on residential properties and farmland.

9.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** --Certain properties including single and multi-family residences, mobile homes and most farmland properties are eligible when determined to be the owners principal residence.

9.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A combined benefit exists whereby homeowners, without applying, have their entire Provincial Education Tax paid by the Provincial Government and dependent on qualifications may be eligible for an additional reduction to be applied against their municipal taxes. This additional reduction for homeowners over 65 years, widow/widowers' (60-64 years) whose deceased spouse was at least 65 and widow/widowers receiving a widows pension or additional benefits by qualifying under the Widows Pension Act is calculated as the difference between $1,000 or municipal taxes whichever is less and the Provincial Education Tax.

9.5.4 **FINANCING** -- The Provincial Government appropriates into the school foundation fund 100% of the total allowable school tax credits for that year.

The Provincial Government advances 80% of expected property tax reduction benefits (homeowners refunds) prior to program commencement and continually reimburses all homeowner refunds in excess of this prepaid amount. An administration fee per application, is paid to the municipality ongoing, as benefits are reimbursed.

9.5.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.9.5, page 127.

9.5.6 **TIME FRAME** -- These programs were implemented January 1, 1973 and have no known termination date. Application may be made between May 1st of the current year and March 31st of the following year.

9.5.7 **REFERENCE** -- Property Tax Reduction Act
Chapter P-19 R.S.A. 1980

9.5.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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9.6 SENIOR CITIZEN RENTER ASSISTANCE GRANT

9.6.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- Providing financial assistance to senior citizens who occupy rented living accommodation or who own and occupy a mobile home situated on rented land.

9.6.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to senior citizens 65 years of age and older or widow/widower's (60-64 years) whose deceased spouse was 65 years of age or older and eligible for a benefit or widow/widowers' (55-64 years) who are receiving a widows pension or additional benefits by qualifying under the Widows Pension Act. Accommodation must have been rented in the Province for at least 120 days during the calendar year and applicants must not have received property tax benefits for that same year. Married couples may make only one application unless legally separated. Senior Citizens living in nursing homes, auxiliary hospitals or active treatment hospitals do not qualify for this grant.

9.6.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Application forms for senior citizens renter assistance may be obtained at municipal offices, Alberta Treasury Branches, Senior Citizens Drop In Centres and Alberta Municipal Affairs offices.

9.6.4 **FINANCING** -- Assistance is in the form of a yearly grant. Levels of assistance currently provided are:

1. $1,200 to eligible seniors renting non-subsidized housing,
2. $600 to seniors renting subsidized accommodation, amd
3. $1,000 to mobile homeowners renting the land or space for their home.

9.6.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.9.6, page 127.

9.6.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented January 1, 1973 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. Applications may be made any time between May 1st of the current year and March 31st of the following year.

9.6.7 **REFERENCE** -- Property Tax Reduction Act
Chapter P-19 R.S.A. 1980

9.6.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT** Director
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9.7 SENIOR CITIZENS' SELF-CONTAINED APARTMENT PROJECT GRANTS

9.7.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance to all eligible municipalities in the form of yearly grants for senior citizens' self-contained apartment projects owned and operated by non-profit organizations. (Lodges are not included and for the purposes of this grant, municipalities are not considered non-profit organizations).

9.7.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to those municipalities in which senior citizens' self-contained apartment projects owned and operated by non-profit organizations are located.

9.7.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Eligible municipalities are to submit Letters of Application in June of each year for each facility involved. Letters of Application will include the name of the owner, the name of the complex, legal description, street address, account number and certification of assessments. Municipalities will also provide the department with a copy of their yearly mill rate bylaw.

9.7.4 **FINANCING** -- Assistance will be in the form of yearly grants applied for in June of each tax year. The grant will not exceed the amount that would be recoverable for the municipal portion of the tax levy referred to in section 93 (1)(a), (b), (c), (e) and (h) of the Municipal Taxation Act if the senior citizens' self-contained apartment project was subject to the municipal tax for the year.

9.7.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.9.7, page 127.

9.7.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1985 and has no known termination date.

9.7.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act
Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

9.7.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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9.8 MUNICIPAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

9.8.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide an experienced work force which municipalities can draw upon to meet the needs in the ever increasing complex world of municipal government operations.

9.8.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to a number of selected municipalities based on their ability to give an intern a broad perspective of municipal operations and to provide instruction and supervision without undue disruption to their normal operations.

9.8.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Municipalities are invited to make application for participation in the program. A work plan which will provide an intern with exposure to all elements of municipal administration should be included with the application. Alberta Municipal Affairs acts as the facilitator in the hiring process and matches the successful candidates with selected municipalities.

The interns are temporary contract employees of the municipalities. Municipalities are re-imbursed for one-half of the intern's salary of $1,450 per month by invoicing the Department. Contracts run from June 1st to May 31st. Candidates must hold a degree or certificate from a secondary educational institution in: Business Administration, Public Administration, Commerce, Economics, or Political Science.

9.8.4 **FINANCING** -- Funding is provided through a special warrant process to the selected municipalities.

9.8.5 **PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION -- EMPLOYMENT ELEMENT** See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.9.8, page 127.

9.8.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program cannot be considered to be an ongoing program. For this reason municipalities interested in participating in the program should make application by the end of December for the next program year.

9.8.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act
Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

9.8.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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Alberta Municipal Affairs
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Edmonton, Alberta
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Phone: 427-2523

9.9 ALBERTA MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIP IN LOCAL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

9.9.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide municipalities with unconditional funds that can be used for programs and projects determined at the local level. It is hoped that these funds will be used in ways that will generate local employment opportunities.

9.9.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This is an unconditional grant available to all municipalities in the Province and will be provided on a per capita basis.

9.9.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- No application is necessary for this grant. Alberta Municipal Affairs will calculate each municipality's grant based on its population and the size of the funding pool. Municipalities will be informed of their grant entitlements early enough to enable them to plan and budget for their own local needs. The AMPLE program once again entails the refinancing of high interest rate municipal debentures. The details of this program and timing will be provided to municipalities at a later date.

9.9.4 **FINANCING** -- The grant will be paid as an annual lump sum for the duration of the program.

9.9.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- Annual budget amounts have not yet been determined. Total program budget is $500,000,000.

9.9.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program which began in 1987 and will operate until the total budget has been expended (estimated at eight years).

9.9.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act
Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

9.9.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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9.10 ETHNO-CULTURAL PROVINCIAL SCHOOL LEVY ABATEMENT

9.10.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide grants in the form of a rebate of the provincial school foundation levy (provincial education tax), to reduce the property taxes of eligible ethno-cultural organizations.

9.10.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to eligible ethno-cultural organizations with respect to ethno-cultural complexes excluding any portion licensed pursuant to the Liquor Control Act. Eligible ethno-cultural organizations are those incorporated under an Act of the Legislature or of the Parliament of Canada, as a non-profit organization having as its' purpose, the preservation and promotion of customs, language, social views or culture.

9.10.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Ethno-cultural organizations are mailed an application in July of each tax year. Applications will be completed and signed by the President or Treasurer and will also include a copy of the current year tax notice, official receipt showing tax payment on the property, and, copy of the certificate of incorporation and the by-laws of the organization.

9.10.4 **FINANCING** -- Assistance will be in the form of a yearly grant upon application in July of each year. The grant will rebate the provincial school foundation levy (provincial education tax) with respect to ethno-cultural complexes excluding any

portion licensed pursuant to the Liquor Control Act. In the event taxes have not been paid for the taxation year for which a grant is payable, the grant will be paid to the municipality.

9.10.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.9.10, page 127.

9.10.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented in 1986 and has no known termination date.

9.10.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Municipal Affairs Act
Chapter D-25.1 R.S.A. 1986

9.10.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

10.1 DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

10.1.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To provide financial assistance for eligible loss and damage as the result of an extraordinary event which the victim could neither prevent nor readily and reasonably be expected to insure against.

10.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- All municipalities, individuals, institutions and businesses in Alberta.

10.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A program administered by Alberta Public Safety Services which may provide financial assistance to applicants for eligible unanticipated expenditures due to an emergency and/or disastrous event. Assistance is not intended to provide full compensation for loss and damage, but to assist in recovery from the occurrence. Municipalities may have total eligible extraordinary costs of emergency operations and restoration of public property considered for reimbursement.

Before loss and damages are considered for assistance, they must be deemed unusual and normally reviewed by a Disaster Assistance Committee to ensure compliance with established guidelines, as follows:

a) the losses and damage have been so devastating as to threaten the economic survival of an individual or business;

b) assistance would be in the public interest;

c) in a municipality, an unusual amount of non-insurable loss and damage has affected a number of people;

d) events causing damage or loss were extremely unusual as classified by a competent authority. For example, historical records, evaluated by Alberta Environment, indicate a weather related event may be classified as extremely unusual;

e) the health, safety or welfare of the affected citizen or citizens have been at risk;

f) persons directly affected, and/or municipal authorities, acted prudently and appropriately to protect property and minimize damage when, and if, warning was given.

10.1.4 **FINANCING** -- This program is normally funded 100% by the Provincial Government, except when the financial expenditure for any single event reaches those proportions which may qualify for cost-sharing by the Federal Government.

10.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program that was implemented in 1973. Applications may be made at any time.

10.1.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Safety Services Act
Chapter P-30.5 R.S.A. 1980

10.1.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Director
Disaster Assistance Branch
Alberta Public Safety Services
10320 - 146 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
T5N 3A2

Telephone 451-7104

10.2 RESCUE KIT PROGRAM

10.2.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To assist municipalities in improving emergency preparedness by issuing items of public safety equipment.

10.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all municipalities in Alberta who are a participant in the Alberta Public Safety Services program.

10.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The municipalities guide for eligibility is as follows:

a) maintains a Peacetime Emergency Operations Plan;

b) trains and maintains a rescue service element of not less than eight rescue workers;

c) ensures at least one rescue worker is qualified as a rescue leader;

d) conducts local rescue training on an annual basis.

The kit consists of various items for rescue including a generator, flood lamps, stretchers, come-alongs, sprint rescue kit, block and tackle, ropes, etc. Twenty-one kits are issued annually.

10.2.4 **FINANCING** -- This program is funded 100% by the Provincial Government.

10.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program. Applications are requested in November.

10.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Safety Services Act
Chapter P-30.5 R.S.A. 1980

10.2.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS, SUPPLY and SERVICES

11.1 GRANTS-IN-LIEU OF TAXES

11.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipalities in meeting their financial commitments.

11.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all municipalities.

11.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Any municipality within which Crown property is situated may apply each year to Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services for a grant-in-lieu of taxes in respect of that property. The assessor prepares valuations of Crown lands and improvements within the municipality, subject to the guidelines of the Municipal and Provincial Properties Valuation Act. Grants shall not exceed amounts that would be recoverable by municipalities if Crown properties within the municipalities were subject to a municipal tax. A municipality is not automatically entitled by right to this grant. Crown corporations or agencies may provide municipalities with a grant-in-lieu of taxes through their legislation.

Any municipality which has established a business revitalization zone pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, and within which Crown property is situated, may apply for a grant with respect to the Crown property in accordance with section 3 of the Crown Property Municipal Grants Act."

Any municipality may apply April 1 of each year for an interim payment amounting to 75% of the prior year's approved grants-in-lieu of taxes in respect of each property.

11.1.4 **FINANCING** -- A grant is based on the valuation of the property using the same municipal assessment manual formula that would be used if the property was subject to a tax. The mill rate established by the municipality is used to determine the amount of grant, taking into account exemptions of grants in the same manner these exemptions would apply if the property was subject to a tax.

11.1.5 **TIME FRAME** -- A continuing program subject to provisions of the Crown Property Municipal Grants Act.

11.1.6 **REFERENCE** -- Crown Property Municipal Grants Act
Chapter C-38 R.S.A. 1980

11.1.7 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Realty Division
Administrative Services Branch
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ALBERTA RECREATION and PARKS

12.1 COMMUNITY RECREATION/CULTURAL GRANT PROGRAM

12.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To aid volunteer community groups and clubs and municipalities with expenditures incurred in the provision of recreation and cultural services, and to encourage co-operative efforts in all aspects of these services, including facility development, facility operation and maintenance, and recreation and cultural programming and planning.

12.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Any council of an improvement district, special area, Metis settlement or Indian band; any council of a municipality representing a regional recreation board; any school board in a National Park; and any council of any other municipality which has a recreation board.

12.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A minimum of 25% of the total eligibility of a municipality must be used for cultural purposes. A maximum of 75% may be used for recreation purposes. The total eligibility must also be divided with a minimum of 50% designated to registered volunteer community organizations and clubs and a maximum of 50% designated to the municipality.

12.1.4 **FINANCING** -- There will be $12 per capita available from this grant program during 1988/89. Municipalities with a population of less than 400 are eligible to receive a grant equal to that for which a municipality with a population of 400 is eligible to receive.

12.1.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.12.1, page 128.

12.1.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is a seven-year program which began on April 1, 1985. Applications are available from the information contact below and from Alberta Recreation and Parks' Regional Recreation Consultants.

12.1.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Recreation and Parks Act
Chapter D-26 R.S.A. 1980

12.1.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT** Head, Regional Recreation Services
Community Recreation Branch
Alberta Recreation and Parks
8th Floor, Standard Life Centre
10405 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3N4
Phone: 427-2019

12.2 HOSTING GRANT PROGRAM

12.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To promote and assist the effective hosting of national and international sport/recreation events within the province of Alberta by providing financial assistance and consultation services.

12.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Provincial Sport and Recreation Associations recognized by Alberta Recreation and Parks under Regulation 235/75 Schedule J. Under exceptional circumstances in which it is not appropriate for the provincial association to be the responsible host agency, the application may be made by registered associations under the Companies Act (part a) or the Societies Act.

12.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Province will consider up to one quarter of the allowable operational expenses according to the submitted budget. Allowable operational expenses include the following:

- Facility Costs - rental fees, computer/equipment, cost/rental.
- Office Expenses - rental, telephone, supplies, printing.
- Fees - insurance, sanctions, legal, medical, translation.
- Communications - advertising, buttons, brochures, posters.
- Officials - training, flags, uniforms, honoraria, accommodation/meals.
- Recognition Awards - trophies, volunteer recognition.
- Organizational Expenses - meetings, room rental.

12.2.4 **FINANCING** -- Funding varies dependent upon the specific event and the proposed budget.

12.2.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.12.2, page 128.

12.2.6 **TIME FRAME** -- A letter of intent to apply for a hosting grant should be submitted to Alberta Recreation and Parks at least 12 months prior to the date of the event. A completed application form together with all required attachments should be submitted no later than two months prior to the event.

12.2.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Recreation and Parks Act
Chapter D-26 R.S.A. 1980

12.2.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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Provincial Recreation and
Sport Services Branch
Alberta Recreation and Parks
8th Floor, Standard Life Centre
10405 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3N4
Phone: 427-5711

12.3 REGIONAL LEISURE LIFESTYLE FESTIVALS GRANT PROGRAM

12.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance for the conducting of regional festivals which promote the development of active, healthy and satisfying lifestyles for Albertans.

12.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Recognized regional recreation associations, municipalities and other organizations may apply for a grant. Municipalities and other organizations must represent the region and will only be eligible when the appropriate regional recreation association formally declares that it will not, during a specified budget year (April 1 - March 31), apply for the grant.

12.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- This grant may be used for the administration and operation of regional leisure lifestyle festivals. Allowable expenses to which grant monies may be applied include:

- telephone charges
- basic office supplies
- shipping and postal expenses
- printing costs
- special insurance
- cost of buttons, ribbons, crests, medals, etc.
- cost of plaques or certificates for volunteer recognition
- advance clinics
- wages or salaries

12.3.4 **FINANCING** -- Up to eight projects with a maximum of $7,000 per project will be funded each year.

12.3.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.12.3, page 128.

12.3.6 **TIME FRAME** -- The completed grant application, together with all required documentation, must be received no later than two months prior to the date of the festival.

12.3.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Recreation and Parks Act
Chapter D-26 R.S.A. 1980

12.3.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

Leisure Lifestyle Development Section
Alberta Recreation and Parks
8th Floor, Standard Life Centre
10405 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T5J 3N4
Phone: 427-6565

12.4 MUNICIPAL RECREATION/TOURISM AREAS PROGRAM

12.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To aid in the capital development, upgrading and operation of outdoor recreation facilities in order to provide new opportunities for recreation and tourism in the province.

12.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Municipalities may apply directly or have a service club or local association apply on their behalf. Initial designation of sites is through the local M.L.A.

12.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Capital grants are available under this program to develop recreation and tourist facilities such as campsites, picnic areas, beach areas, boat launches and docks, drinking water supplies, golf courses, regional ski hills and parking areas. Operating grants are available each year for a period of 25 years to operate and maintain facilities developed under the capital portion of the program.

12.4.4 **FINANCING** -- A one time capital grant of up to $100,000 and operating grants of up to $20,000 per year are available through this program.

12.4.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.12.4, page 128.

12.4.6 **TIME FRAME** -- Applications for capital funds may be submitted any time during the fiscal year in which the site is designated and should be based upon a proposed capital budget. Applications for operating funds may be submitted any time during the year and should be based upon a proposed operating budget. The capital phase of this program is scheduled to continue until March 31, 1990, but may be extended to March 31, 1991.

12.4.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Recreation and Parks Act
Chapter D-26 R.S.A. 1980

12.4.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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Community Recreation Branch
Alberta Recreation and Parks
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Edmonton, Alberta
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ALBERTA SOCIAL SERVICES

13.1 ALBERTA CHILD CARE PROGRAM

13.1.1 OBJECTIVES

1. To support the delivery of appropriate child care services in Alberta communities.
2. To ensure standards of care are maintained.
3. To administer the Operating Allowance payment program and the Family Day Home Administrative Fee program.
4. To provide financial support to low-income families.
5. To provide opportunities for children with special needs to participate in normal preschool child care.

13.1.2 ELIGIBILITY

-- Child Care is a provincially delivered and administered service for preschool children whose parents work, attend an educational institution, or the parent or child has special needs.

13.1.3 DESCRIPTION

- Program consultation and administrative support is provided to program operators and community groups.
- Provision of child care resources and program development materials to child care community.
- Licensing and monitoring of child care facilities to ensure standards of the Child Care Regulation are met.
- Program consultation services and additional financial support is provided for children with special needs in child care.

13.1.4 FINANCING

- The family subsidy program became effective August 1, 1980. It is provided to parents who qualify on the basis of income, to assist with costs of day care.
- The Operating Allowance program and the Family Day Home Administration Program became effective September 1, 1980. The operating allowance is paid to child care centres based on the number of enrolled spaces. The administration fee is paid to agencies which contract with Alberta Social Services to supervise satellite family day homes (a maximum of 3 children per home).

13.1.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.13.1, page 128.

13.1.6 **TIME FRAME** -- The Alberta Child Program came into effect July 1, 1978 and is an ongoing service.

13.1.7 **REFERENCE** -- Social Care Facilities Licensing Act
Chapter S-14 R.S.A. 1980
Social Development Act
Chapter S-16 R.S.A. 1980
Department of Social Services Act
Chapter D-27.1 R.S.A. 1980

13.1.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA
SOLICITOR GENERAL

14.1 MUNICIPAL POLICE ASSISTANCE GRANT

14.1.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To help all municipalities paying for their own policing in defraying policing costs.

14.1.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all Alberta municipalities who by way of either establishing and maintaining their own police force or by entering into a Royal Canadian Mounted Police municipal policing contract are responsible for their own policing.

14.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The government approves a total amount for the grant yearly.

14.1.4 **FINANCING** -- The department will calculate the grant payable to each municipality yearly. **Please refer to the Alberta Partnership Transfer Program listed in the Alberta Municipal Affairs section.**

14.1.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.14.1, page 128.

14.1.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in April 1975. It has no known termination date.

14.1.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of the Solicitor General Act
Chapter D-28 R.S.A. 1980

14.2 LIQUOR CONTROL ACT

14.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist those municipalities with their own police cells in the Province of Alberta to offset the costs of holding an intoxicated person in their cells without charge until such time as the individual being detained is deemed sober.

14.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all municipalities that operate their own police service as defined in the Police Act and have their own jail facilities.

14.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The grant allows a fee of $7.00 per person who is held without charge in a cell accommodation maintained by the village, town or city. The village, town or city bills this department monthly for each person lodged in their cells during that month and the billing must be certified by the police service in that particular location.

14.2.4 **FINANCING** -- The village, town or city is entitled to $7.00 per person per day. Accounts are submitted to the department monthly for certification and processing.

14.2.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.14.2, page 128.

14.2.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

14.2.7 **REFERENCE** -- Liquor Control Act
Chapter L-17 R.S.A. 1980
Order in Council 1411/74

14.2.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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Law Enforcement Division
Alberta Solicitor General
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14.3 MUNICIPAL POLICE BUILDING SUBSIDY

14.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide assistance to municipalities building a new police building or to make repairs to the existing police building.

14.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to municipalities who wish to build their own police facility or renovate their existing police facility.

14.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The grant is to be used only for assistance in construction of a police building or portion of a building to be used for police facilities. Building plans must be submitted with the grant application.

The cost of the building will not include the land value. The government may approve building subsidites on a yearly basis. These subsidies are available only in the year for which funding is provided.

14.3.4 **FINANCING** -- Payment will be made either when work is completed or as the work progresses, upon receipt of accounts certified by the municipalities auditors.

14.3.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.14.3, page 128.

14.3.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

14.3.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of the Solicitor General Act
Chapter D-28 R.S.A. 1980

14.3.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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14.4 POLICE PHASE-IN GRANT

14.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance to municipalities required by the Police Act, 1988 to provide their own policing.

14.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Municipalities who establish and maintain their own police services or enter into a Municipal Policing Agreement with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police are elibible.

14.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Once a municipality has established their own police service or signed a Municipal Policing Agreement with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the Province may approve a phase-in grant on a yearly basis. These grants are available only in the year for which funding is provided.

14.4.4 **FINANCING** -- Payment is made to the municipality twice yearly and upon receipt of proof that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police billing has been paid.

14.4.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.14.4, page 128.

14.4.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

14.4.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of the Solicitor General Act
Chapter D-28 R.S.A. 1980

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14.5 SUMMER VILLAGE POLICING

14.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist summer villages who supply their own policing from May 15th to November 15th yearly.

14.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This grant is available to all summer villages who supply their own policing during the months of May 15th to November 15th inclusive.

14.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- A grant of $500 a month is made available to all summer villages to assist in defraying the cost of the summer special constable.

14.5.4 **FINANCING** -- Upon proof of payment to the special constable, a monthly billing in the amount of $500 is made to this department.

14.5.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.14.5, page 128.

14.5.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. Applications by summer villages should be made by November 30.

14.5.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of the Solicitor General Act
Chapter D-28 R.S.A. 1980

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ALBERTA TOURISM

15.1 CANADA-ALBERTA SUBSIDIARY AGREEMENT ON TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

15.1.1 Introduction

The Canada-Alberta Tourism Agreement totals $56.3 million and is cost-shared equally between the Federal and Provincial Governments. The Agreement which runs for five years will provide assistance in six areas: Tourism Facility and Product Development; Alpine Ski Facility Development; Market Development; Training and Professional Development; Industry and Community Support; and Opportunity Analysis and Evaluation.

The purpose and intent of the agreement is to provide a major boost to the tourism industry in Alberta.

15.1.2 OBJECTIVES

1.1 Canada and Alberta have agreed on the following objectives to guide programs and projects entered into under this Subsidiary Agreement:

(a) improve the quality of the tourism industry in the Province of Alberta to compete more effectively in the intra-provincial, inter-provincial and international tourism markets;

(b) to improve sector performance, maximize the potential for human resource development, and increase levels of employment, income and tourism expenditures in Alberta;

(c) to provide initiatives designed to encourage the participation of the private sector in tourism development and marketing to enhance and expand on the strengths and opportunities of growth potential of Alberta tourist destinations;

(d) to provide initiatives designed to optimize the impact and contribution of tourism to economic and social development throughout the Province;

(e) to provide reinforced recognition of the international tourism appeal of the Alberta Canadian Rockies through enhanced development and marketing programs and in turn broaden and diversify tourism destinations, attractions and events in all parts of Alberta.

1.2 In addition, it is the objective of the parties that projects under this Agreement will include initiatives to:

(a) attract more tourists;

(b) lengthen the stay of tourists;

(c) maintain and expand existing tourism products, attractions and resorts;

(d) enhance the year-round appeal of Alberta as a tourism destination and address the problems of seasonality associated with the tourism industry in the Province;

(e) maintain and expand Alberta's appeal as an international ski destination together with other winter attractions, resorts and tourism products;

(f) maintain and improve the existing Provincial tourism plant through programs designed to upgrade, expand and develop the necessary infrastructures to reach the potential of growth;

(g) develop a modern province-wide tourism information service/reservation system that links the various tourism sub-sections and accommodation with the needs of the international tourist;

(h) develop a comprehensive and accurate tourism data base that is essential for development and market planning;

(i) because the tourism industry is labour intensive, and there is a continuing need for properly trained personnel, both formal and on-the-job training and awareness programs will be enhanced and developed to address the demand for qualified and quality personnel in the tourism hospitality sector;

(j) through new and improved mechanisms, in partnership with tourism industry associations and destinations, maintain and expand the organizational structures and their programs to meet the demands for better development and marketing of the Alberta tourism destination.

15.1.3 **Tourism Facility and Product Development** ($26 million over 5 years)

The objective of this program is to stimulate private sector investment in Alberta's tourism plant, develop major destination resorts and other travel generators, and to upgrade and develop associated ancillary facilities and services. It is comprised of the following two parts:

a) General Facility and Product Development

This element will provide initiatives for private sector investment by establishing, modernizing or expanding product lines, year-round resorts, attractions and support facilities.

b) Major Travel Generators

This element will encourage the development of major new tourism generators which will have sufficiently broad appeal to result in the local area becoming a popular destination area or target stop-over for tourists from national and international markets.

A travel generator is any attraction which enhances Alberta as a tourist destination and draws tourists from international and national markets. The tourist traffic that travel generators stimulate should encourage private sector investors to develop ancillary tourism facilities to serve this traffic.

15.1.4 **Alpine Ski Facility Development** ($6.9 million over 5 years)

The objective of this program is to provide initiatives to stimulate private sector investment in existing internationally competitive Alberta Rocky Mountain ski facilities; namely, Fortress Mountain, Marmot Basin, Lake Louise, Mount Norquay, Westcastle Park and Sunshine Village. Examples of project components which could receive assistance are: snowmaking systems, ski lifts, slope lighting, ski trail development, and food and beverage facilities. The program is comprised of the following parts:

a) Planning and Feasibility Studies

Contributions will be provided toward the cost of hiring qualified consultants to prepare plans and/or studies pertaining to project feasibility, conceptual design, engineering feasibility, and master planning.

b) Capital Construction

Contributions will be provided for the direct capital costs associated with ski projects, including design, labor, and purchase of fixed assets and materials.

15.1.5 **Market Development** ($11.975 million over 5 years)

The objective of this program is to position Alberta in national and international markets as an attractive and desirable place to visit, through increased private and public sector promotion of the Alberta destination and its products. It is comprised of the following components:

a) Private Sector Marketing Incentives

This element will provide marketing incentives to the private sector for enhanced marketing activities in national and international markets. Examples of projects which could receive assistance are marketing in support of tourism facilities and events, package tour development, costs associated with bid preparation and foreign attendance building for conventions and conferences, travel trade familiarization tours, and cooperative advertising.

b) Provincial Targeted Marketing

This element will provide funds for targeted market activities which are incremental to present ongoing activities by the Province. It will allow for increased emphasis on new and developing markets.

c) Information Systems Development

This element will provide for the development of tourism information centres as well as computerized enquiry information, reservation, and meeting/conference data base.

15.1.6 **Training and Professional Development** ($3 million over 5 years)

The objective of this program will be to upgrade the manpower skills and professionalism of the Alberta tourism industry. Through this program, contributions will be made available to the private sector, public sector and not-for-profit applicants for the development and implementation of incremental staff and management training, and professional development studies, curriculum development, seminars and courses.

Prospective applicants should be aware that detailed elegibility criteria have not been developed for this program, since the federal and provincial parties to this Agreement were awaiting the results of the Alberta Tourism/Hospitality Education and Training Study (ATHETS) and the establishment of the Alberta Tourism Education Council.

In developing the Training and Professional Development program criteria, the results of the ATHET study will be taken into consideration and eligible projects/courses identified that will not conflict with or duplicate other federal and provincial programs.

Applications for funding under this program will not be accepted at this time. Detailed program information will be provided to interested parties as it becomes available. Any further questions regarding this program may be referred to staff of the Canada/Alberta Tourism Agreement.

15.1.7 **Industry and Community Support** ($2.5 million over 5 years)

This program provides support to tourism industry associations, community, and private sector participants. It is comprised of the following elements:

a) Tourism Industry Awareness

An awareness campaign will contain educational, promotional, and incentive aspects directed at the general public, industry, educational institutions, and the various levels of government. Examples of activities which could be assisted are: cooperative advertising, editorials, newsletters as well as the development and distribution of tourism awareness materials.

b) Community Tourism Development

The objective of this element is to encourage Alberta communities to recognize the economic and social benefits from tourism by initiating and coordinating theme development, development and improvement of facilities, attractions and events. It will provide contributions for hiring consultants to initiate and coordinate community theme development, improvements of facilities, attractions and events.

c) Exploration Guides

This program is designed to provide assistance for tourism areas in the Province to develop high quality guide books for areas identified by a common theme or as a scenic/historic/designated route.

15.1.8 **Opportunity Analysis and Evaluation** ($3.8 million over 5 years)

This program is intended to initiate and support studies that are required to make informed decisions in the development and marketing of the Alberta destination and its facilities and products. Its primary objective is to identify and assess tourism development and market opportunities related to the programs which will be implemented through the Agreement.

15.1.9 **Administration, Public Information and Evaluation** ($2.125 million over 5 years)

The objectives of this program are to ensure the efficient administration of the Agreement, to provide public information relating to the Agreement, and to ensure the evaluation of the programs and projects with regard to their economy, effectiveness and efficiency.

15.1.10 **PROGRAM SUMMARY**

	$ MILLIONS
TOURISM FACILITY AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT	$26.0
ALPINE SKI FACILITY DEVELOPMENT	6.9
MARKET DEVELOPMENT	11.975
TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	3.0
INDUSTRY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT	2.5
OPPORTUNITY ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION	3.8
ADMINISTRATION, PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EVALUATION	2.125
TOTAL:	$56.3 MILLION

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15.2 COMMUNITY TOURISM ACTION PROGRAM

15.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The Community Tourism Action Program will provide financial assistance to Alberta municipalities, and others, who wish to implement tourism-oriented capital development projects identified in Community Tourism Action Plans. The Program will provide $30 million over a 5-year period beginning in fiscal year 1988/89. Funding for this program is being provided by Alberta Lotteries.

15.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants - applications may be submitted by:

- incorporated municipalities that have prepared and endorsed a Community Tourism Action Plan. (Incorporated municipalities include cities, towns, villages, summer villages, counties, municipal districts, improvement districts and special areas)
- private sector and not-for-profit organizations that have had their projects endorsed by their municipal council and included in the Community Tourism Action Plan. These projects must have the written support of the municipality
- Indian Bands and Metis Settlements that have produced and endorsed a Community Tourism Action Plan.

Two or more municipalities may pool their allotments under the program to facilitate larger-scale projects of a regional nature.

Projects - tourism-oriented capital development projects which:

- are included in a municipally endorsed Community Tourism Action Plan.
- have been endorsed for funding purposes by the municipality.
- do not require subsidization by the Province for on-going operation and maintenance costs.
- do not involve the staging of events.

Feasibility analysis, design work and construction supervision fees related to eligible capital development projects may be funded to a maximum 25% of a municipality's allocation under this program.

15.2.3 **FINANCING** -- Approved projects will be cost shared with a maximum of 75% from the Provincial Government and a minimum of 25% from the applicant, as funding allocations permit.

Funds are allocated to municipalities according to the program funding formula. It is not a "first-come, first-serve" program.

Funding allocations are calculated on a per capita basis by municipality:

$50 per capita for the first 2,000 people
$40 per capita for the next 3,000 people
$35 per capita for the balance

The maximum allocation for a municipality will be:

$300,000 for municipalities up to 15,000 population
$500,000 for municipalities between 15,000 and 100,000 population
$2,000,000 for municipalities over 100,000 population.

15.2.4 **GENERAL APPLICATION CRITERIA** -- An applicant to the Community Tourism Action Program must demonstrate that:

- the municipality has a completed and endorsed Community Tourism Action Plan which includes a Tourism Policy, public input, and has been registered with Alberta Tourism.
- the project is contained in the municipality's Community Tourism Action Plan (if two or more municipalities are involved, the project must be endorsed in each municipality's plan.
- the applicant can provide 25% of eligible project cost requirements.
- the project can maintain long term, continuing self-sufficiency without provincial government subsidization.
- the project is oriented to tourism as opposed to local recreational use.

15.2.5 **APPLICATIONS** -- Applications must be submitted on official program application forms. Forms will be available in July 1988 and applications will be accepted after August 1, 1988.

15.2.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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15.3 TEAM TOURISM MARKETING PROGRAM

15.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- The purpose of the program is to create integrated regional (ie. Alberta Tourism Zone) marketing strategies that will result in increased market penetration and impact, allowing all parts of the province to compete more effectively for tourism revenues.

It is designed to encourage greater visibility, improved knowledge, and both more and higher quality marketing of each regional destination, rather than individual facilities alone. The program will provide $20 million from lottery funds over five years.

15.3.2 **MARKETING PLANS** -- Each Tourist Zone in Alberta, in consultation with the tourism operators in that Zone, will prepare annual marketing plans for the region.

The plans will include details on marketing projects proposed for funding under this program. These projects must:

- be consistent with present or targeted tourism patterns in the Zone
- meet the strategic marketing objectives of the Zone
- take place in appropriate designated target markets for the region.

Once the marketing plan is endorsed, Zone approved applications for specific projects supporting the Zone marketing plans may then be registered by the Zones with Alberta Tourism.

An annual plan is to be submitted by October 1 of each year, with a supplementary update submitted by July 1 of the following year, containing more detail on winter programs.

However, in 1988 the start-up marketing plan should be submitted on September 1 if marketing activities prior to March 31, 1989 are proposed.

15.3.3 **FINANCING** -- An annual ceiling limit has been set for each Zone primarily based on visitor demand for commercial fixed roof accommodation in the Zone. The distribution of funds will be as follows:

Group	Zone Ceiling per Fiscal Year	Zones in Group
A	$500,000	10 Calgary and District 11 Edmonton

B	$300,000	1 Chinook Country 4 David Thompson Country 6 Lakeland 9 Jasper National Park 12 Banff National Park
C	$200,000	2 Gateway 3 Big Country 5 Battle River 7 Evergreen 8 Land of the Mighty Peace 13 Game Country 14 Midnight Twilight

An administration fee equalling 2 1/2% of the total cost of each project, payable by Team Tourism to the Zone, will be over and above the ceiling amounts shown.

15.3.4 **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants - all tourism operators in a Zone may apply through the Zone for funding on a 50% local: 50% Team Tourism grant basis for marketing activities identified in the Zone's marketing plan.

"Operators" include the Zone itself; municipalities; organizations with an interest in tourism in the region, such as Chambers of Commerce and non-profit groups; individual tourism facility operators; service industry operators in combination with a tourism component; and consortia made up of any combination of the above.

Marketing activities of federal and provincial facilities are not eligible for funding. However, such facilities are not precluded from taking part in regional promotions.

Operators with facilities in more than one Zone must submit separate applications for funding through each applicable Zone (eg. Yellowhead Highway Association would apply through Zones 6, 11, 7 and 9).

Activities - all new or expanded tourism marketing activities consistent with current or targeted regional tourism patterns, Zone objectives, and Zone target markets will be eligible for funding on a 50:50 basis.

Examples of eligible marketing activities are:

- advertising (mass media, telemarketing, direct mail)
- publications (lure and service, including maps, self-guided or themed tours)

- audio visual materials (slides, videos, films)
- display materials (posters, display booths, floats)
- consumer and trade show attendance (booth, travel and subsistence)
- media relations (blitzes, familiarization tours)
- trade relations (sales calls, familiarization tours)
- promotions and promotional materials (competitions, buttons).

15.3.5 **APPLICATIONS** -- Applications under Team Tourism must be submitted to the appropriate Tourist Zone office on an official program application form. They will be accepted following submission of Zone Marketing Plans on September 1, 1988. Application forms will be available by August, 1988.

15.2.6 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES

16.1 URBAN TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

16.1.1 OBJECTIVES

- To encourage long term planning and implementation of safe and effective urban transportation systems.
- To participate with cities in the planning and financial responsibility for those elements of the urban transportation system which are a mutual concern as a vital link in a total provincial transportation system.
- 1988/89 is a one year extension of the previous program to "clean up" funds and projects carried over from the original program.

16.1.2 ELIGIBILITY

- The incorporated cities, and
- Sherwood Park

16.1.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- This Program consists of:

- Basic Capital Grants
- Primary Highway Maintenance Grants
- The Public Transit Operating Assistance Grants have been transferred to the Alberta Partnership Program
- The Major Continuous Corridors grants were intended as an incentive to allow each city to develop a major, provincially important route. This is essentially completed except for the City of Red Deer.

16.1.4 **TIME FRAME** -- This "clean-up" year extends from April 1, 1988 to March 31, 1989.

16.1.5 **REFERENCE** -- City Transportation Act
Chapter C-10 R.S.A. 1980

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16.1.1 BASIC CAPITAL

16.1.1.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To assist cities financially by providing capital grants to support the development of components of a balanced transportation system.

16.1.1.2 **DESCRIPTION** -- Eligible expenditures under this grant are:

- Construction and rehabilitation of arterial roadways
- Public transit capital expenditures
- Resurfacing, reconstruction of collector roadways.

16.1.1.3 **FINANCING** -- The maximum amount available for each municipality under the Basic Capital Grant will be based on the previous year's population as provided by Alberta Municipal Affairs at a rate of $60 per capita. In order for a city to receive their maximum eligible amount they must have sufficient approved projects.

All projects eligible under the Basic Capital Grant will be cost shared on a 75% Provincial/25% City basis up to the maximum amount available to each city.

16.1.2 PRIMARY HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

16.1.2.1 **OBJECTIVES**

- To assist cities financially in maintaining and operating the primary highway portion of the cities' roadway systems.

- To encourage efficient maintenance and operation of roadways.

Cities will determine priorities and allocation between uses for this grant.

16.1.2.2 **FINANCING** -- The cities will receive an annual grant of $1,959 per lane-kilometer of primary highway within their corporate limits.

16.1.3 PUBLIC TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE

16.1.3.1 **OBJECTIVE**

1. To assist municipalities financially by providing operating grants to assist in:

   a) provision of special services or assistance for the transportation of senior citizens and the disabled.

   b) maintenance and operation of the public transit system.

2. To encourage efficient operation of public transit or special services.

16.1.3.2 **DESCRIPTION AND FINANCING** -- This grant is calculated by the Department of Transportation and Utilities based on the type of service provided and the continued population figures published by Alberta Municipal Affairs. **The funds are advanced as part of the Alberta Partnership Transfer Program described in the Municipal Affairs section.** Annual funding is based on a per capita rate according to the following:

a) A basic $2.94 per capita is provided to assist all Alberta Municipalities in the operating costs of providing specialized transportation services for seniors and the disabled.

b) Communities with approved paratransit but no conventional public transit system eligible to receive up to $2.94 in addition to the basic amount.

c) Cities with approved conventional public transit systems are eligible for $7.84 per capita in addition to the basic amount to assist with the costs of operating standard buses on regular scheduled routes, servicing the general public.

16.1.3.3 **TIME FRAME** -- This grant has been extended from April 1, 1988 to March 31, 1989.

16.1.3.4 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act
Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

16.2 ALBERTA AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

16.2.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- Assist in the upgrading of existing airports in Alberta communities, enabling development of air services and attendant industrial activities. Provide bases for Forest Protection Water Bombing.

16.2.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Municipalities which already have airports.

16.2.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The Department will provide the upgrading of airport facilities. Assistance includes:

Overlay of runway, taxiway and apron areas. Grants for modest community airport terminal buildings for those remaining airports who have not applied. Consideration may be given for future installations of basic navigational and visual aids to community airports.

Municipalities must contact Alberta Transportation and Utilities for assistance. If the project is approved, Alberta Transportation and Utilities will fund and supervise the construction.

16.2.4 **FINANCING** -- Virtually 100% financing by Alberta Transportation and Utilities.

16.2.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

16.2.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

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16.3 HAMLETS STREETS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

16.3.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide special assistance for improving streets in Alberta Hamlets within Municipal Districts, Counties, Improvement Districts and Special Areas.

16.3.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is only available to those areas of land that are officially designated as hamlets and have permanent population of 50 or more.

16.3.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The types of street improvements which are eligible for this funding involve construction of lasting street and sidewalk facilities serving both road users and pedestrians. These improvements will include grading, gravelling, acceptable quality oil treatments, stabilized gravel base/paving, concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, roadway storm sewers and drainage systems, bridges, traffic signs and signals and street lighting. Applications are submitted by the appropriate rural jurisdiction on behalf of the Hamlet.

16.3.4 **FINANCING** -- Eligibility for assistance is based on $45,000 basic grant plus $80 per capita for Hamlets with populations of 100 or more; and $15,000 basic grant plus $80 per capita for Hamlets with populations of 50 to 99.

The department will contribute 75% of the construction and engineering costs of approved projects. The municipalities will be responsible for 25% of the construction and engineering costs.

An official designation of the hamlet boundaries and a Statutory Declaration of population are required together with plans and cost estimates for application for the program. Applications are provided to the Regional Director.

16.3.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.16.3, page 129.

16.3.6 **TIME FRAME** -- The current program commenced on April 1, 1985 and will be ongoing until all eligible hamlets receive their full formula entitlement.

16.3.7 **REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

16.3.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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16.4 CULVERT INSTALLATION ASSISTANCE

16.4.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide technical and financial assistance to Counties and Municipal Districts with large culvert installations 1.5 metres (5 Feet) in diameter or larger which serve in lieu of bridges.

16.4.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is primarily available to Counties and Municipal Districts. Assistance is also provided to towns and villages when such installations are on road allowances or on through streets in lieu of road allowances.

16.4.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- In late summer, Alberta Transportation and Utilities accepts requests from municipalities covering their requirements for bridge structures. Selection and priority for assistance is determined on the basis of a demonstrated need to the extent that funding is available.

This assistance is applied toward such costs as preparation of foundation, assembly of culvert, backfill under haunches, fill over the culvert to a one metre depth and rip rap.

16.4.4 **FINANCING** -- Alberta Transportation will contribute towards the acceptable installation of large culverts 1.5 metres (5 feet) in diameter or larger and will supply the necessary culvert material at no cost to the Road Authority. This contribution is paid only if the design specifications and instructions are adhered to.

16.4.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- No specific yearly funding levels established due to major fluctuations of need.

16.4.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

16.4.7 **REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

16.4.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT** Regional Directors at:

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St. Paul - 645-6330

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16.5 REGULAR ROAD GRANT FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS

16.5.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist the Counties and Municipal Districts with road construction projects with the aim to provide for the improvement of the road network to a standard that will satisfy the traffic demand and need.

16.5.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available only to the Counties and Municipal Districts in Alberta.

16.5.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Yearly program allocations are calculated by formula. Factors considered in the calculation of grant funds assigned to Counties and Municipal Districts involve population, equalized assessment, miles of opened road (including local and secondary roads less miles of paved roads) and a terrain factor that takes into account difficult construction problems. Proposed projects are submitted to the District Transportation Engineer for approval. Activities eligible under the grant program are: grading; regrading; gravelling; gravel crushing; regravelling; dust abatement; base course; paving; seal coat; signing and pavement markings. Additionally, purchase of right-of-way, utility adjustments, fencing and legal surveys also qualify on local road projects.

16.5.4 **FINANCING** -- The Department funds 100% of the approved projects up to the municipalities' formula eligibility. Once the grant projects are approved by the department, 100% of the grant funds are advanced in trust to the municipality via a Trust Agreement. Upon completion of the grant projects, the municipality provides the department with certification and a summary report of the project expenditures.

16.5.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.16.5, page 129.

16.5.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

16.5.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

16.5.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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16.6 RAILWAY CROSSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

16.6.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipalities with their share of the capital cost of improving railway crossings on roads under municipal jurisdiction - excluding roads under city administration.

16.6.2 **DESCRIPTION** -- The program is designed to improve safety at existing railway crossings. The department provides financial assistance for the installation of automatic protection signals, clearing of sight lines, improving of grades, etc. The program also provides for technical assistance by the department in obtaining new railway crossings. No financial assistance is provided for new crossings. Alberta Transportation and Utilities will provide Railway Crossing Advance Warning signs for any crossings where the signs are required. Signs may be requested on an individual crossing basis or will be provided by Alberta Transportation and Utilities as each rail line is subjected to a safety review.

Municipalities must apply to Alberta Transportation and Utilities to make their needs known. Alberta Transportation and Utilities, in turn, will forward the application to the Railway Transportation Committee of the Canadian Transport Commission and provide any engineering or technical information required.

16.6.3 **FINANCING** -- At crossings on secondary roads, the Department pays 100% of the road authority's share (municipality's share) of the cost of the improvement.

At crossings on local roads, the Department pays 50% of the road authority's share of the cost of the improvement.

The Department does not contribute toward the cost of maintaining crossings or automatic protection signals.

16.6.4 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- Not available as these costs are included with other expenditures in municipalities.

16.6.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

16.6.6 **REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

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16.7 ENGINEERING ASSISTANCE GRANT

16.7.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance for the required engineering work associated with Regular Road Grant projects.

16.7.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all Counties and Municipal Districts.

16.7.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Allocations are based on the level of the municipalities Regular Road Grant allocation. Projects proposed for this grant are submitted to the District Transportation Engineer for review and approval. This grant is intended to be used to engage private engineering consultants but in some cases may be used to cover engineering services provided by Alberta Transportation and Utilities. If department engineering services are uti the appropriate costs are deducted from the municipal allocations.

16.7.4 **FINANCING** -- The Engineering Assistance Grant is provided to each County and Municipal District in proportion to the municipality's Regular Road Grant. Claims for the funds are submitted to the District Transportation Engineer upon completion of the approved projects.

16.7.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.16.7, page 129.

16.7.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

16.7.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

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16.8 STREETS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

16.8.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist Alberta's Towns, Villages and Summer Villages with required capital road and street improvements.

16.8.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The program is available to all Towns, Villages and Summer Villages in the Province.

16.8.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The projects which are eligible for funding under the program are; road and street grading and regrading, gravelling, base course, paving, concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, storm sewers, bridges, traffic control devices and street lighting. All projects submitted for approval must be to acceptable design and operational standards to meet the desired requirements. All materials and equipment engaged on projects eligible for funding must be from the private sector. Maintenance projects and operations are not eligible under the program.

16.8.4 **FINANCING** -- Every town, village and summer village with a permanent resident population of 100 or greater is eligible to receive a base grant of $45,000 plus a per capita grant of $80 during the term of the program. Applications are made to the Municipal Services Branch.

Summer villages with a permanent resident population of less than 100 are eligible to receive a base grant of $15,000 plus a per capita grant of $80 during the term of the program.

Alberta Transportation will fund 75% of the construction costs and 50% of the engineering costs of approved projects. The municipalities will be responsible for 25% of the construction costs and 50% of the engineering costs.

The population figures utilized in the grant calculations will be in accordance with the most recent confirmed figures published by Alberta Municipal Affairs at the date of approval of the projects under the program.

16.8.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.16.8, page 129.

16.8.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was implemented April 1, 1984 and is scheduled to terminate March 31, 1989.

16.8.7 **REFERENCE** -- Public Highways Development Act
Chapter P-28 R.S.A. 1980

16.8.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT**

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16.9 DUST CONTROL GRANT FOR COUNTIES AND MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS

16.9.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide financial assistance to Counties and Municipal Districts to maintain dust control on secondary and local roads.

16.9.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- This program is available to all Counties and Municipal Districts.

16.9.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- Allocations are based on the level of the municipality's Regular Road Grant allocation. It is expected that each jurisdiction will determine guidelines and parameters for utilization of the grant on the basis of the dust control needs within the municipality.

16.9.4 **FINANCING** -- The Department funds 100% of the costs up to the amount of the eligibility. The Department provides 100% of the grant in advance in trust. The municipality must provide the Department with a summary report on the uses of the grant prior to the end of the fiscal year.

16.9.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.16.9, page 129.

16.9.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

16.9.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

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16.10 UTILITIES OFFICER PROGRAM

16.10.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To subsidize the cost of making the services of a knowledgeable individual available to rural municipal authorities to assist in the organization, development and regulation of utilities within their jurisdictional area.

16.10.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to all rural municipal districts, counties, improvement districts, and special areas in the Province within which there is a substantial rural utilities either in operation or under consideration.

16.10.3 **DESCRIPTION** -- The utilities officer to be available for advice and assistance to ratepayers within the local government authorities' jurisdictional areas, and also to assist the local council with the setting out and administration of appropriate and applicable regulation of all types of utilities. Grant support is to apply only to direct utility related functions. Annual budgets and expenditure statements are required to be submitted to the Department of Transportation and Utilities, including separation of costs of different functions, if applicable.

16.10.4 **FINANCING** -- Up to $25,000 per year is available to each rural municipal authority based on submission of a budget and an actual expenditure statement at the end of each calendar year. All costs in excess of this amount are to be borne by the local employing authority.

16.10.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.16.10, page 129.

16.10.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This program was instituted in conjunction with the Rural Gas Program in 1973. This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

16.10.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

16.10.8 **INFORMATION CONTACT** -- For further information regarding budget and expenditure statements and/or typical duties of utilities Officers, or other information, please contact the following:

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16.11 NORTHERN SUPPLEMENTARY FUND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

16.11.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To provide funding in northern Alberta for initiating or improving water and sewage facilities where, even with local revenues and other sources of income, the costs of projects are far in excess of the provincial norm.

16.11.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Available to municipalities within the jurisdiction of the Northern Alberta Development Council. Preference will be given to communities with a demonstrated health problem, low tax base, and insufficient sources of other funds so as to render the project financially feasible.

16.11.3 **FINANCING** -- The program is administered by Transportation and Utilities. Overall program coordination and direction is provided by the Northern Supplementary Committee consisting of representatives from Alberta Municipal Affairs, Northern Development Branch, and Alberta Transportation and Utilities.

Applications will be assessed similar to projects receiving funds under the Alberta Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program. Basically, the Northern Supplementary Fund will serve as a mechanism to reduce the community's share of the project cost beyond those funds that may be available from Alberta Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program.

16.11.4 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.16.11, page 129.

16.11.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This fund was implemented in 1977 and is currently set to expire on March 31, 1992.

16.11.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act
Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

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16.12 ALBERTA MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE TREATMENT GRANT PROGRAM

16.12.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To assist municipalities with the capital cost of installing modern and adequate facilities for water supply and sewage treatment.

16.12.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Cities (under 100,000 in population), towns, villages, summer villages, hamlets and regional commissions established under the Municipal Government Act are eligible for assistance from this program. In addition, the Minister may require that the appropriate municipal grants be directed to the regional commissions where it has been demonstrated that the implementation of a regional water and/or sewage scheme is the most cost-effective and environmentally sound proposal. Cooperatives are not eligible under this program and should refer their situation to the county, municipal district or improvement district in which they operate.

16.12.3 **ELIGIBILITY OF PROJECT** -- Water supply projects, such as water storage facilities, water treatment plants, wells, supply lines, and some transmission mains, are eligible for assistance. In a municipality without any existing water system, the distributions system is also eligible.

Sewage treatment facilities, some trunk sewers and outfall lines are eligible for grants, as is a sewer collection system if there was no previous system in the community.

Small projects, such as the addition of fluoridation or chlorination facilities, are also eligible.

The Department should be contacted for an assessment of project eligibility when undertaking any water or sewer project.

16.12.4 **FINANCING** -- The demand for financial assistance may exceed the available budget, and it is therefore stressed that this program will be administered on the basis of funding being provided only to projects as prioritized by the Government of Alberta.

First-dollar sharing of costs was introduced in July 1983. Projects costs are shared on a 75/25 provincial/municipal basis for the first 600 persons, and on a 50/50 basis for the population from 601 to 100,000. The grant calculations take into consideration the accumulated costs of projects which have received grants since the introduction of the program in April 1979. Municipalities receiving assistance from this grant program will be encouraged to support Alberta companies supplying goods and services to the waterworks and sewage industry.

The upper limit remains at $2,100 per capita for communities of 600 or more population. Communities of less than 600 population will be eligible for a proportionately larger grant. In this instance the formula is $2,100 + $5(600 - population) for the upper limit. For example, a community with a population of 300 would have an upper limit in the program of $2,100 + $5(600 - 300), or $3,600. Now all communities, regardless of size, will be reasonably assured of the opportunity of having affordable water and sewage systems.

The specific grants will be calculated by the Department of Transportation and Utilities in accordance with established priorities and criteria. Municipalities must not assume that a grant will be provided until such time as written confirmation of said grant is received from the Minister of Transportation and Utilities.

16.12.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.16.12, page 129.

NOTE: The budget allocation includes an allowance for the Agricultural Processing Industries Grant Program.

16.12.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This assistance program was implemented on April 1, 1979 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

16.12.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

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16.13 REGIONAL UTILITIES PROGRAM

16.13.1 **OBJECTIVES** -- To provide cost-effective and environmentally acceptable water and sewage facilities jointly to two or more municipalities.

16.13.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- The following criteria is used to establish eligibility under the Regional Utilities Program:

1. The urban and rural municipalities serviced must be considered municipalities under the Municipal Government Act. In some cases, commissions are formed under the Regional Municipal Services Act.

2. The development of regional systems should be more cost-effective and/or environmentally desirable than independent facilities.

16.13.3 **FINANCING** -- Assistance may be provided to municipalities/ commissions in two ways:

1. Capital Projects

   The province initially provides funds for the project and oversees the total construction and management of the project. Once completed, the facilities are turned over to the municipalities, with the municipalities reimbursing the province for their share of the costs.

2. Grants

   The municipalities manage the implementation, design and construction of the project, with the funds being provided to the municipalities in the form of a grant calculated as per the terms of the Alberta Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program.

16.13.4 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- See Provincial Funding Allocation Section 17.16.13, page 129.

16.13.5 **TIME FRAME** -- This assistance program was implemented on April 1, 1979 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. However, it is anticipated that the majority of future projects will be undertaken by the municipalities/commissions.

16.13.6 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

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16.14 AGRICULTURAL PROCESSING INDUSTRIES GRANT PROGRAM

16.14.1 **OBJECTIVE** -- To assist municipalities with the development or expansion of water and sewer facilities to accommodate agricultural processing industries.

16.14.2 **ELIGIBILITY** -- Assistance is available to municipalities eligible under the Alberta Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program, i.e. cities (under 100,000 population), towns, villages, summer villages and hamlets.

16.14.3 **ELIGIBILITY OF PROJECT** -- Municipal water and sanitary sewage projects that are required to accommodate agricultural processing industries are eligible for financial assistance. Water projects, such as distribution system extensions and replacements, intakes, supply lines, wells, treatment and storage facilities, and transmission lines are included. Sewage projects including collection system extensions or replacements, treatment facilities and outfall lines are also eligible. On-site pretreatment facilities may also be eligible in some instances. The department should be contacted for an assessment of project eligibility prior to undertaking a water or sewer project.

16.14.4 **FINANCING** -- Projects approved under the program are cost-shared on a 75/25 provincial/municipal basis for the first 600 persons and on a 50/50 basis for the population from 601 to 100,000.

This new program allows for the removal of the $2,100 per capita funding limit. The demand for financial assistance may exceed the available grant dollars, and therefore it is stressed that this program will be administered on the basis of funding being provided only to projects as prioritized by the Government of Alberta.

16.14.5 **PROVINCIAL BUDGET** -- This program is administered in conjunction with the Alberta Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program.

16.14.6 **TIME FRAME** -- This is a five-year program effective April 1, 1986.

16.14.7 **REFERENCE** -- Department of Transportation and Utilities Act
Chapter D-30 R.S.A. 1980

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PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION

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TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES

- Urban Transportation Program
- Basic Capital
- Major Continuous Corridors and Primary Highway Connectors
- Public Transit Operating Assistance
- Primary Highway Maintenance

* 1988/89 is a one year extension of the above programs to "clean up" funds and projects carried over from the original program. The Major Continuous Corridors grants are essentially completed except for the City of Red Deer

- Public Transportation Operating Assistance Grant Program. (Please see above)

18.3 # PROGRAM TRANSFERS/CONSOLIDATIONS

CULTURE AND MULTICULTURALISM

- Provincial Historic Resource Assistance Program and Registered Historic Resource Assistance Program is now listed under "Provincial and Registered Historic Resource Assistance Program"

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE

- Alberta Business Incubator Support Program is now called "Alberta Small Business Incubator Support Program".

SOCIAL SERVICES

- Alberta Day Care Program is now called "Alberta Child Care Program"

SOLICITOR GENERAL

- Law Enforcement Grant is now called "Municipal Police Assistance Grant"